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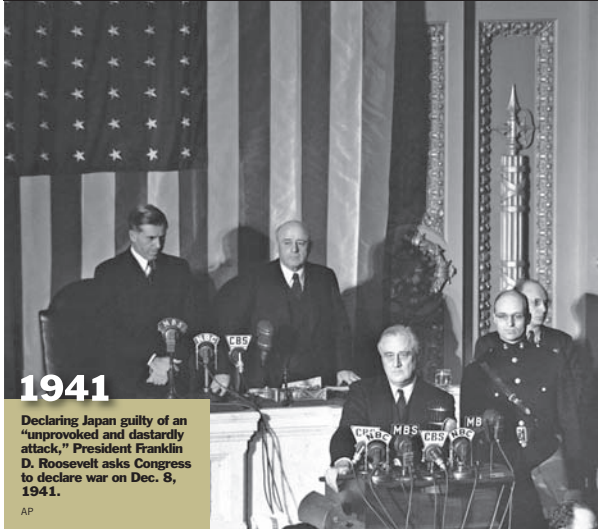
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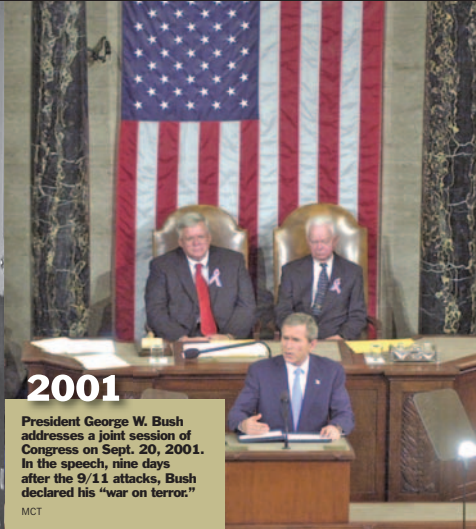
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President George W. Bush addresses a joint session of Congress on Sept. 20, 2001. In the speech, nine days after the 9/11 attacks, Bush declared his "war on terror."

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# AT WAR?

Legally speaking, no; the United States hasn't made a formal declaration since '42

By TRAVIS J. TRITTEN  
Stars and Stripes

WASHINGTON — Secretary of State John Kerry said Sunday there is a "tortured debate" over whether the United States is at war with the Islamic State in Iraq and Syria.

"What I'm focused on, obviously, is getting done what we need to get done to ISIL," he said on CBS News' "Face the Nation." "But if people need to find a place to land in terms of what we did in Iraq, originally, this is not a war."

Kerry then appeared to reverse himself, saying the actions against

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the Islamic State do constitute a war in the sense that the U.S. is waging a global battle against al-Qaida and its offshoots.

Whatever terminology the public decides on, the country is not likely to actually go to war — at least not in a legal sense — even if the Obama administration were to change course on its new Islamic State offensive and send in combat troops.

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# Battle against Islamic State threatens defense budget cuts

By W.J. HENNIGAN  
Tribune Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — Members of Congress and the White House anticipated a peace dividend by winding down America's foreign wars, closing bases and shedding tens of thousands of troops.

But President Barack Obama's new, open-ended strategy to confront Islamic State fighters in Iraq and Syria is likely to eat into some of the

**\$262.5M**

Cost for the first five weeks of U.S. airstrikes in northern Iraq, according to the Pentagon.

nearly \$500 billion in Pentagon spending cuts that were planned over the next decade.  
The first five weeks of U.S. airstrikes in north-

ern Iraq cost \$262.5 million, according to the Pentagon, and Obama lobbied key members of Congress in recent days to appropriate \$500 million to help train and arm Syrian rebels at camps in Saudi Arabia.

While that's still a pittance compared with the total \$496 billion Pentagon budget, or the \$1.2 trillion spent for the ground wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, the costs of intervention are certain

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## QUOTE OF THE DAY

"I can tell you that having been through a mishap in a squadron, it feels like a family loss, a family death — so there's a mourning and a grieving process."

— Rear Adm. Russell Allen, director of the Valiant Shield 2014, commenting on the presumed death of F/A-18 pilot Lt. Nathan Poloski in a two-plane collision during pre-exercise operations at sea on Friday

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## EUROPE

# DOD official urges sequestration relief

By NANCY MONTGOMERY  
Stars and Stripes

VICENZA, Italy — An already tough fiscal environment prompting proposed benefit cuts would get far worse if Congress does not repeat another round of sequestration in 2016, a top U.S. Defense Department official warned military spouses and civilians at town meetings here.

"If not, everything is on the table," said Jessica Wright, undersecretary of defense for personnel and readiness. The uncertainty means it will be difficult to predict funding for child care, family services, traumatic brain injury and other benefits, she said.

Wright is one of a number of DOD officials who have warned of impending cuts that they say will reduce the size of the armed forces and take money from necessary equipment upgrades, placing readiness and national security at risk.

In fact, Wright said, the Pentagon's proposed 2015 budget represents an attempt to reduce benefits and spend the savings on readiness. The budget includes a reduction in the housing allowance, a 1 percent military pay raise, massive cuts to commissary subsidies and potentially increased medical fees.

"Quality of life is higher," she said. "Quality of service is on the skids."

A proposed change in commissary funding, which the Pentagon

**'Quality of life is higher. Quality of service is on the skids.'**

Jessica Wright

undersecretary of defense for personnel and readiness



says would reduce the savings on groceries from 30 percent to 10 percent of the cost compared with groceries bought on the economy, has proved highly unpopular.

"Why did we want to do that?" she said. "None of us wants to send a servicemember into combat unprepared."

Still, she said, it appeared Congress, which must approve the change, did not "have an appetite to do that."

Wright visited Vicenza, she said, partly to assess a recent cost-savings plan that included the elimination of health care for civilians and closure of the same-day surgery and obstetrical units at the garrison health center.

"How's the hospital care downtown?" she asked about 50 spouses who attended one of two hourlong town hall meetings.

Complaints from the spouses were muted, focusing mainly on what several said was a "filthy" emergency room at the local Vicenza hospital and a significant language barrier.

Wright, who enlisted in the Army in the 1970s, became an

Army aviator and retired from the Pennsylvania Army National Guard as a major general, also visited Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Germany. That often-lauded hospital was among numerous military hospitals and clinics that a recent New York Times investigation found had higher rates of error and harm in maternity and/or surgery than many civilian hospitals.

Landstuhl, the paper found, had a high rate of maternity complications; its rate of surgical complications was not examined. The Times investigation also reported that the military did not follow what the newspaper said were its own inadequate policies to investigate errors to ensure better patient safety.

A subsequent Pentagon-ordered review is nearly done, Wright told Stars and Stripes. She said it would be made public, but she didn't know when.

Much of the second Vicenza meeting, with civilians, was taken up with a last-ditch plea by an Army civilian for Wright to reinstate housing benefits to nearly

700 overseas civilians who were told last year they had received the living quarters allowance in error in some cases for many years.

The civilians were told that they had been erroneously receiving the money through no fault of their own but because hiring officials misinterpreted the rules regarding LQA. In many cases, the civilians had worked for more than one employer overseas, an apparent violation of State Department rules. They were told they would no longer get the money.

Secretary Wright, tear down this wall, this wall of betrayal," pleaded Peter McCollum, a U.S. Army Africa employee and former Special Forces medic.

"You can reinstate us," he said, referring to the allowance.

Wright replied that, regretfully, she couldn't.

McCollum said the benefit represented 40 percent of his income. Those affected also were required to file requests for waivers of indebtedness or possibly be liable to pay the money back, \$65,000 in McCollum's case, he said.

Several four-star commanders and U.S. legislators have said the resulting civilian exodus would degrade readiness, and they have asked that the civilians be extended the allowance — so far, to no avail.

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## 5th Fleet amphibious forces get new commander

By HENDRICK SIMOES  
Stars and Stripes

MANAMA, Bahrain — Marine Brig. Gen. Carl Mundy III has assumed command of Marine Corps Forces Central Command Forward and Commander, Task Force 51, which oversees the amphibious forces operating in the U.S. 5th Fleet area of responsibility.

The change of command Sunday occurred at a critical time; U.S. Marine units in the region are involved in operations against the Islamic State group in Iraq. In recent weeks, air assets from the Bataan amphibious ready group



Mundy

Mundy, who has been nominated for the rank of major general, replaced Marine Brig. Gen. Gregg Olson, who is expected to take a position in Washington as the inspector general of the Marine Corps.

"Today's ceremony is special because it exemplifies a very alive and fully integrated Navy and Marine Corps team within U.S. Central Command's area of responsibility, which is due in no small part to General Olson's leadership," Vice Adm. John Miller, commander of U.S. 5th Fleet, said at the change-of-command ceremony.

Olson, speaking before turning over the reins to Mundy, said: "The past 13 months have been quite an adventure as we worked together to provide command and control for the crisis response forces of 5th Fleet."

Mundy is no stranger to the Middle East or to amphibious force operations. He's deployed twice to Iraq, first as a battalion commander and later as a Marine Expeditionary Unit commander during Operation Iraqi Freedom, according to his biography.

Mundy said in his remarks at the ceremony that he considers himself a "naval officer" and a "soldier at sea." He requested the assignment, he said, because he thinks he will be a good fit. "Over the past decade, this region has always been and is returning to its naval character."

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## MILITARY

# Vets confront workplace strife

## Federal jobs push means some encounter resentment of co-workers

By LISA REIN  
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama's push to hire military veterans for jobs across the government is fueling resentment in federal offices, as longtime civil servants and former troops on the other side of the cubicle increasingly question each other's competence and qualifications.

With veterans moving to the head of the hiring queue in the biggest numbers in a generation, there's growing bitterness on both sides, according to dozens of interviews with federal employees.

Those who did not serve in the military bristle at times at the preferential hiring of veterans and accuse them of a blind deference to authority. The veterans chafe at what they say is a condescending view of their skills and experience and accuse many nonveterans of lacking a work ethic and sense of mission.

At the Government Printing Office, six of eight electricians who have joined the electrical shop in recent years are former military members. But Robert Chaney, the shop's senior mechanic and a nonveteran, said some arrived without electrician's licenses. One was hired over the phone from Michigan, he said, then quit soon after starting.

"It's hard to tell until they get here," he said. "Then you realize this guy doesn't know common electric components that a one- or two-year electrician should know."

But Laura Barmby was pleasantly surprised when she ran a training session this summer for the Commerce Department that included veterans. In a role-playing exercise, the eight veterans banded together in reaction to a natural disaster, devising a novel response to offer emergency services to the public.

"When a group gets a certain preference, there's an inclination to say somehow they're less than" others, Barmby said. "But they have the real-world experience of having challenges put in their way they need to overcome. If they're able to do the job, what's wrong with helping someone who risked their life for their country?"

Obama began accelerating the



David Reinhard, right, left the U.S. Marines in 1998 and works for the office of broadcast at the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Next to him is HUD contractor Matt Frazier.

ASTRID RIECKEN/For The Washington Post

hiring of veterans five years ago in response to the bleak employment prospects many service members faced after coming home from Afghanistan and Iraq. It is the government's most visible effort to reward military service since the draft ended in the 1970s.

Veterans benefit from preferential hiring for civil service jobs under a law dating to World War II, but the administration has boosted the extra credit veterans get, giving them an even greater edge in getting those jobs. The government has also set hiring goals for veterans at each agency, and managers are graded on how many they bring on board, officials said.

Last year, veterans made up 46 percent of full-time hires, the Office of Personnel Management said. They now represent a third of the federal workforce, holding positions well beyond the Defense and Veterans Affairs departments.

Their colleagues in the civil service say that while veterans work hard, they rarely display independent thinking.

"You're getting a very conservative worker that's very narrow-minded," said Bob O'Brien, a

technology specialist for the OPM. About 90 of the 100 computer experts in his office in suburban Maryland are veterans, he said.

"In meetings, you can't question anything," O'Brien complained. "The veterans' attitude to their supervisors, he said, is: 'You're my boss. You could be a complete lunatic, but I won't question you.'"

During the longest stretch of war in American history, many veterans have served multiple combat tours. They say they have earned a right to preferential treatment and resent the perception that they are grunts unqualified for civil service.

"I've heard people say, 'I've applied for a job, but some veteran's just going to get it,'" said Mark Butler, 56, a Navy veteran who investigates fair-housing violations for the Department of Housing and Urban Development in Boston.

"I think veterans bring so much to the table," he added. "The military is not all screaming, yelling [at] people to charge up the hill and kill, kill, kill."

In some federal offices, seasoned employees are welcoming former servicemembers as motivated go-getters who bring new

energy to places where old-timers seem as if they are punching a clock until retirement. But in many others, interviews show, ill will is smoldering, and two very different cultures are clashing.

The strains are deepening as the Defense Department cuts spending and sheds troops at the same time that federal budget pressures have shrunk the hiring of civilians to a five-year low. There are fewer jobs to go around.

But there are corners of government where the two groups are in sync. At HUD's broadcast office in Washington, a team of 18 young engineers operates an in-house television station and runs the department's website. A third are veterans who did similar jobs in the military; the boss, Bill Amos, is a retired Army master sergeant. Team member Matt Frazier, who came from the private sector, said in a recent staff meeting that if he found a different way to get something done, he would try it. But, he told the veterans, "you guys don't question the path to get to your goal."

At the same time, he acknowledged some envy over the veterans' bond. "It's like you have your own fraternity," he said.

## Say what?

A sample of reader comments from [stripes.com](http://stripes.com)



## The war at home, in the workplace

More veterans are being hired into federal jobs, and it's creating a clash of cultures, says The Washington Post. Those who did not serve say veterans have a blind deference to authority; veterans say many nonveterans lack a work ethic and sense of mission.

## Readers respond:

Resentment??? The veteran should be matched to a Fed job then offered the Job and placed into a Fed job without competition.

— **BwBoone**

It is not always as simple as just matching up to a federal job. Now if they stay within DOD and are basically doing the same job then of course. Outside of DOD with the exception of some fields it is a vastly different federal world.

— **JMS**

The most qualified should be hired. While I agree with extra points for Veterans Preference they candidate should be judged on the whole person concept. This is just discrimination of another sort and yes, I am a vet and no, don't work for the federal government.

— **wayne5600**

This amounts to a hear-say hate article targeting both civilians and military. One more example of the divisions in America right now. Sad.

— **jdjd**

As a recently retired vet, now working in a fed job, I can tell you what the vet lacks in common knowledge of "how we do it here", they more than compensate with their ability to cut through the minutia and get to the heart of the problem and what it takes to solve. In the agency that I work for there is clearly and anti-vet bias, but I simply ignore it.

— **um1964**

I have worked HR on the Federal side for a number of years. The advice I would give vets is learn how to write a resume.

— **JMS**

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## Makin Island ARG's 4,000 troops arrive in Mideast

By HENDRICK SIMOES  
Stars and Stripes

MANAMA, Bahrain — The Makin Island amphibious ready group with more than 4,000 Marines and sailors arrived in the Middle East on Friday.

The group is on a scheduled deployment to the U.S. 5th Fleet area of responsibility and is expected to leave the Bataan group, now operating in the Persian Gulf, the U.S. 5th Fleet said in a news re-

lease. The Bataan group was extended 21 days in the Middle East last month, beyond its original departure date, to ensure a continuous presence in the region. The Bataan group arrived in the region in March. In the early stages of the Islamic State's advances in Iraq in June, some of the group's assets were repositioned for strategic reasons.

Most recently, the 22nd Marine Expeditionary Unit's Air Combat Element has been conducting

dozens of surveillance and reconnaissance missions from the USS Bataan over Iraq, using its AV-8B Harrier aircraft, officials said.

As of Monday, the two ready groups had not conducted a turnover in the region, officials said.

The San Diego-based Makin Island amphibious ready group left home on July 25. It is composed of the amphibious assault ship USS Makin Island, the amphibious dock landing ship USS Comstock, the amphibious transport

dock ship USS San Diego and the embarked 11th Marine Expeditionary Unit. The group brings with it a variety of aircraft: MV-22B Ospreys, AV-8B Harriers, CH-53E Super Stallions, AH-1Z Super Cobras and UH-1Y Hueys.

The aircraft carrier USS George H.W. Bush is also in the Persian Gulf, where it has been conducting airstrikes against the Islamic State in Iraq.

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## MILITARY

# Servicemembers training for self-defense

By JENNIFER H. SVAN  
Stars and Stripes

RAMSTEIN AIR BASE, Germany — Tech. Sgt. Candace Helder, 28, decided to sign up for self-defense training to feel less vulnerable while traveling for her job.

"I fly a lot," said Helder, an Air Force flight attendant. "A lot of times, I could be the only female on a crew going into different countries, so having these skills to be able to protect yourself ... I believe, are imperative."

Helder was one of 119 students who volunteered for a self-defense class taught here earlier this month by instructors from the Gracie Jiu-Jitsu Academy. Over four days of intensive training, the students worked toward certification as instructors of Gracie Defense Systems, a special program incorporating 15 self-defense moves, based on principles from Brazilian jiu-jitsu and tailored to the military.

Participants at the Ramstein training were a mix of airmen, soldiers and spouses — male and female — from the Kaiserslautern area and several far-flung bases in Europe.

Organizers hope that many of them will continue practicing and will become instructors in their local military communities.

"We're trying to establish a grass-roots program to help our airmen out," said Air Force Master Sgt. Mark Tilsner, the event's primary organizer.

Tilsner is leading an effort to set up a program on Ramstein and other bases in the Kaiserslautern Military Community, open to all ID card holders.

"It's a little bit of an overload, and we're going to work on getting those skills mastered," he said of those training to be instructors.

He was pleased with the Gracie seminar. "I think everyone was completely blown away," he said.

The Air Force hasn't officially endorsed or adopted the Gracie program for its airmen, although it has been taught at a handful of bases in the United States.



Left: Rener Gracie emphasizes a point during a self-defense seminar Sept. 4 at Ramstein Air Base, Germany. Right: Eve Gracie demonstrates the "triangle choke" during the seminar.

Tilsner's Air Force unit, the 435th Air Operations Ground Wing, funded the \$25,000 seminar at Ramstein, the first at an overseas base, with support from a number of private organizations on base and a local business.

"The ultimate goal is to reduce sexual assaults" and teach airmen how to become "hard targets" by projecting confidence and self-awareness, he said in an interview.

Air Force senior leaders have made reducing sexual assault in the service a top priority, but the service so far is reluctant to endorse the training as a sexual assault prevention tool.

"All effective sexual assault prevention efforts focus on the individual who commits the crime, not the victim," Lt. Col. Kirstin Reimann, spokeswoman for the Air Force Sexual Assault Prevention and Response office at the Pentagon, wrote in an email to Stars and Stripes. "Calling self-defense training a sexual assault prevention program puts the responsibility on the victim, rather than the perpetrator and is not a part of the Air Force Sexual Assault Prevention program."

Ramstein base spokesperson Senior Airman Whitney Buford said the training could be applied more broadly. "It's a tool in the tool kit for any assault, whether it happens to be a sexual assault or a

robbery in Kaiserslautern."

The Ramstein students spent four days learning from Rener Gracie, who has a fourth-degree black belt in Brazilian jiu-jitsu, and his wife, Eve Gracie, a martial artist and a former professional wrestler with World Wrestling Entertainment.

Students learn to "defend against all types of assault," but the course is particularly effective in thwarting a sexual assault, Rener Gracie said.

"We know there's a problem of sexual assault in the Air Force," he said. "Our goal is not just to prepare them to be more resilient but also to make sure they're protected from the problems within. In doing so, you create a more collaborative, cooperative Air Force as a whole."

Learning how to establish verbal, psychological and physical boundaries, and then being able to physically defend them, is the crux of the training.

"Our belief is that once you have the physical means to defend yourself, only then do you feel like



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you have the willingness and capability to defend any boundaries that you set for yourself," said Eve Gracie.

Those lessons resonated with Crystal Lewis, 34, a mother and Air Force spouse who was formerly in the military. "They tell you that you're reluctant to set a

boundary when you don't feel comfortable or strong enough that you can defend that boundary," she said. "So you let those people make those inappropriate jokes or the drunk guy get a little bit too close. Those kinds of things happened when I was younger."

Lewis' favorite move in the course was the "trap and roll."

"It's just a really

cool move, to be able to flip someone that's heavier than you up and off of you," she said. "You can get up and move away."

Eve Gracie said that unlike some other self-defense programs, the Gracie method doesn't use tactics such as eye gouges, groin punches and palm strikes to the face. "We don't teach that because we know

that a huge number of assaults are committed by people that we know, people that are in our families, that are in our communities," she said. "We need a way to neutralize it without escalating the situation."

One move, the "triangle choke," is a last-resort defensive measure that involves locking one's legs around a person's neck. Even a small person pinned down by a stronger assailant can effectively use the move to escape, Eve Gracie said. "It's literally you have to fight for your life. You can render someone else unconscious with your legs from the bottom of the fight."

Many of the students said the class was empowering and they looked forward to continuing to practice and teach the techniques to their families, community members and colleagues.

"I signed up for the class to ensure I could pass along self-defense techniques to anyone who might want to know how to protect themselves," said Air Force Staff Sgt. Casey Jones, 34, an emergency manager with the 786th Civil Engineer Squadron.

The sexual assault prevention and response classes held on base are "great for identifying a perpetrator," Jones said. "But they don't tell you how to defend against it if you do find yourself isolated with a perpetrator."

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Senior Airman  
Whitney Buford  
Ramstein Air Base  
spokesperson

## Air Force nuclear personnel to get boost in paychecks

By JON HARPER  
Stars and Stripes

WASHINGTON — Missilers and some enlisted airmen will soon see a boost in their paychecks, Secretary of the Air Force Deborah Lee James announced Monday.

Effective Oct. 1, officers manning the nation's launch control centers will receive an additional \$300 per month in incentive pay. Airmen in certain enlisted fields throughout the nuclear enterprise will also receive up to \$300 in monthly special duty assignment pay.

James did not specify which enlisted fields will be eligible for

**"There's no question in my mind that our nuclear mission is first and foremost."**

Deborah Lee James  
Secretary of the Air Force

the extra cash.

"There's no question in my mind that our nuclear mission is first and foremost," James said at an Air Force Association conference at National Harbor, Md.

The pay raise is part of a broader effort to address what Air Force leaders have deemed "systemic" problems within the nuclear enterprise, particularly among missilers who are re-

sponsible for launching the most destructive weapons on earth in the event of nuclear war.

Over the past year, the service learned of widespread cheating on nuclear launch tests, as well as low morale among airmen involved in the nuclear field who felt they were being ignored in the post-Cold War era when the likelihood of nuclear combat is seen as remote.

Other steps being taken to improve the nuclear enterprise include:

- Redirecting more than \$500 million over the next several years toward facilities sustainment, bomber and missile operations support, launch control center refurbishment, updated security force equipment and uniforms, and other initiatives.
- Creating a new Nuclear Deterrence Operations Service Medal for outstanding airmen.
- Providing more money to fund ROTC scholarships for future missilers.
- Increasing manning levels.
- Recommending that Secretary of Defense Chuck Hagel ele-

vate the commander of Air Force Global Strike Command from a three- to a four-star position.

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## PACIFIC



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Personnel secure fighters during persistent rains Monday, the first day of the Valiant Shield 2014 exercise at Andersen Air Force Base, Guam.

# Valiant Shield is tinged by loss of a pilot

## Exercise launched amid grieving after a futile search

By ERIK SLAVIN  
Stars and Stripes

ANDERSEN AIR FORCE BASE, Guam — One of the U.S. military's largest joint exercises began on a somber note Monday, as participants dealt with the loss of one of their own.

Valiant Shield 2014 is continuing as scheduled despite the presumed death of F/A-18 pilot LT Nathan Poloski, 26, in a two-plane collision during pre-exercise operations at sea Friday.

Poloski, of Lake Arrowhead, Calif., graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 2009 and reported in May to Strike Fighter Squadron 94, which is attached to the aircraft carrier USS Vinson.

The USS Vinson and the strike group ships that searched for Poloski this past weekend will go ahead with their portions of the exercise, as will Poloski's squadron.

"I can tell you that having been through a mishap in a squadron, it feels like a family loss, a family death — so there's a mourning and a grieving process," said Rear Adm. Russell Allen, the exercise director. "At the same time, we also recognize that we need to conduct this exercise, and there is a desire to do the mission that you're assigned to do."

"And so that actually helps to have something else to devote your energies toward, in the middle of that grieving process."

The exercise focuses on a potential conflict that would bear little resemblance to Iraq, Afghanistan or any other large-scale conflict the United States has encountered.

The most obvious difference is that 18,000 servicemembers are participating from four branches, none of them ground troops.

Participants will attempt to defeat an enemy practicing an anti-access, area-denial strategy, a method that Allen called "an emerging threat in this region and across the world."

The strategy prevents the U.S. and other nations from reaching international waters and airspace by using weapons like advanced missiles, mines and electronic warfare.

It also attempts to block navigation for any ships or aircraft that reach those areas.

Exercise officials said the scenarios were not directed toward any particular country.

However, the 2014 Defense Department report to Congress on China's military said the People's Liberation Army is developing the strategy "to deter or counter third-party intervention, particularly by the United States."

China claims Taiwan, which the U.S. has sworn for decades to defend from an invasion.

Meanwhile, China's claims to several territories in the East and South China seas have recently resulted in low-level clashes with neighboring U.S. allies like Japan and the Philippines, which have competing claims.

Iran has also developed an anti-access, area-denial strategy, though it is more limited in scale. One of the most prominent con-

cepts in countering the strategy is Air-Sea Battle, which is already in play during the exercise.

The basic blueprint of Air-Sea Battle begins with a fight in both space and cyberspace that disrupts an enemy's ability to launch its missiles and high-tech weaponry.

Officials declined to discuss much about the exercise scenarios with reporters Monday, but noted that the cyberwarriors were active on Day 1.

"We have them pouncing immediately," Allen said.

The next phases of a typical Air-Sea Battle involve destroying missile launchers and weapons platforms with strike aircraft and other assets. Ships and land-based missile-defense systems attempt to defeat anything that makes it past launch.

Coordinating 200 combined Air Force, Navy and Marine Corps aircraft, along with surface ships and submarines, and heavy doses of cyberwarfare activity and Army missile defense add up to much faster-paced training than usual, exercise planners said.

"It increases that stress level that you wouldn't get in an everyday, normal basis," Brig. Gen. Andrew Toth, 36th Wing commander, said regarding the air operations.

However, the difference between training and combat operations was plainly evident on the flight line Monday, where Guam's rainy season turned out to be the only foe that dozens of parked fighter jets would face.

Exercise officials said they canceled defensive counterair operations after determining that a tropical depression in the area posed a safety risk.

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The Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer USS Mustin fires an SM-2 missile during Exercise Valiant Shield 2014.

## NATION

## Declarations of war

**1812 — Great Britain**  
The War of 1812 hinged on international trade disputes and U.S. expansion.

**1846 — Mexico**  
Following the Mexican-American War over territory, the U.S. annexed eight western states.

**1898 — Spain**  
The U.S. entered into the Spanish struggle with Cuba over independence.

**1917 — Germany**  
After remaining neutral for several years, the U.S. joined World War I.  
**1917 — Austria-Hungary**  
Involvement in WWI quickly deepened when the U.S. went to war with Germany's ally.

**1941 — Japan**  
A spectacular air attack on Pearl Harbor spurred the U.S. to enter World War II.

**1941 — Germany**  
The U.S. responded in kind after Germany declared war first.

**1942 — Bulgaria, Hungary, Romania**  
The three German allies first declared war against the U.S.

In many cases, presidents have asked Congress to pass legislation allowing or supporting the use of military force:

**1798 — France**  
The fledgling U.S. Navy was ordered to protect American trading ships from the French.

**1802 — Tripoli**  
The Navy was again ordered to protect commerce ships from what is today Libya.

**1815 — Algeria**  
Congress deemed a presidential request for war but allowed Navy action to protect trade from this other North Africa country.

**1819-23 — Caribbean, Latin America**  
Rampant piracy prompted a military response to protect U.S. merchant ships.

**1955 — Formosa**  
The U.S. acted to fend off communist China from seizing the island now known as Taiwan.

**1957 — Middle East**  
In the midst of the Cold War, Congress authorized military force if any countries in the region were attacked by communist forces.

**1964 — Southeast Asia**  
Following the Gulf of Tonkin incident, combat forces were sent to Vietnam and elsewhere in the region.

**1983 — Lebanon**  
U.S. Marines were sent to this Middle East country bordering Syria to quell violence and provide stability.

**1991 — Iraq**  
The U.S. pushed Iraqi forces out of Kuwait following an invasion and occupation.

**2001 — Global**  
A global fight against the al-Qaida terrorist network and any countries helping them followed deadly attacks in New York, Washington and Pennsylvania.

Presidents have exerted executive power and used United Nations resolutions to wage military campaigns without first getting approval from Congress:

**1950 — Korea**  
The U.S. sent air power and troops to the peninsula to repel invading communist North Korea forces backed by the Soviet Union.

**1994 — Bosnia**  
The Clinton administration joined a NATO airstrike campaign to quell ethnic and religious fighting following a government disintegration.

Source: Congressional Research Service; American Journal of International Law

## War: Anxiety brought flexibility on military action

## FROM FRONT PAGE

In fact, the U.S. has not gone to "war" since 1942.

America's last official declarations of war were leveled against Hungary, Bulgaria and Romania during World War II. On paper, none of the country's major conflicts since then — Korea, Vietnam, Iraq, Afghanistan — were declared wars.

Instead, presidents have flexed their executive powers or Congress, which has sole power to declare war, has passed other legislation to allow military operations both big and small.

Once thought a necessary legal prerequisite, war declarations still carry weight under international law but "have fallen into disuse since World War II" on Capitol Hill, the Congressional Research Service, or CRS, reported earlier this year.

It used to be our chosen way to enter a fight. Congress issued 11 war declarations from the War of 1812 to World War II, according to the CRS, a nonpartisan research arm of Congress.

So, what changed?  
During the Cold War, anxiety over national security surged and presidents believed they needed more flexibility to wage military action spanning from covert operations to all-out warfare, said Matt Dallek, an assistant professor in the graduate school of political management at George Washington University.

"Congress essentially punted on their core responsibilities" and the lines between declared war and various types of military intervention "all blurred together," Dallek said.

Congress did pass legislation in 1973, called the War Powers Resolution, aimed at limiting the president's use of military force by requiring time limits and notification to lawmakers. But the resolution passing and 2003,



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Secretary of State John Kerry listens to a question during a joint press conference with Egyptian Foreign Minister Sameh Shukri in Cairo on Saturday.

the White House sent 111 notifications of military action to Congress, the CRS reported.

The change has affected the type of battles we fight and our sense of them, Dallek said.

"All of our conflicts, except for the attack by al-Qaida, have been somewhat murkier than the bell that rang with the attack on Pearl Harbor," Dallek said. "There is no longer a sense the wars we enter are of the type that require sacrifice from the rest of the country."

President Barack Obama's new offensive against the Islamic State announced Wednesday may be looking more like a war but likely will follow the legal pattern of the recent conflicts.

The president called for dismantling and destroying the Islamist group in Iraq and Syria through airstrikes, arming and training opposition rebel groups, and support from an international coalition.

Before the announcement, he had already ordered 154 airstrikes and more than 1,000 mili-

tary personnel back into Iraq as of Wednesday.

The White House has argued it does not need any congressional approval for the Iraq strikes, saying they are allowed under a 2001 resolution called the Authorization for Use of Military Force, commonly referred to as AUMF.

The AUMF was passed just a week after 9/11 and gave President George W. Bush powers to strike al-Qaida or any group or nation involved in the attacks. It was used to justify both the 2003 invasion of Iraq and the ongoing Afghanistan War — the longest in U.S. history.

Kerry said it still stands in the offense against the Islamic State, which sprung out of the three-year Syrian civil war and was once associated with al-Qaida but recently was shunned by the group.

"This group is and has been al-Qaida. It is the same thing as al-Qaida," he told CNN.

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## NATION

# Hundreds flee 2 raging wildfires in Calif.

The Associated Press

OAKHURST, Calif. — Two raging wildfires in California forced hundreds of people to evacuate their homes, including one near a lakeside resort town that burned nearly two dozen structures.

The blaze, sparked Sunday afternoon near Bass Lake in Central California, prompted authorities to evacuate about 1,000 residents out of about 400 homes, Madera County Sheriff's spokeswoman Erica Stuart said.

The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection said flames damaged or destroyed 21 structures. The Fresno Bee reported that one neighborhood was hit especially hard, with several homes turned to ash and smoldering embers.

"This is gut-wrenching," CalFire Battalion Chief Chris Christopherson told the newspaper. "It makes you sick."

The fire started off a road outside Oakhurst, a foothill community south of the entrance to Yosemite National Park, and made a run to Bass Lake. Stoked by winds, it quickly charred at



MARK CROSSE, THE FRESNO (CALIF.) BEE/AP

Firefighters douse flames Sunday from an outbuilding next to a structure that burned in Oakhurst, Calif.

least 320 acres, CalFire spokesman Daniel Berlant said. The fire is 20 percent contained.

The lakeside area is a popular destination throughout the year. There were no reports of the blaze affecting the park.

The destructive fire led Gov. Jerry Brown to secure a grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to cover 75 percent of the cost of fighting the fire, state officials said.

Further north, a wildfire about

60 miles east of Sacramento forced the evacuation of 133 homes. El Dorado County Sheriff's officials said residents of another 406 homes were being told to prepare to flee.

Berlant said the blaze started

in a remote area Saturday, but exploded on Sunday when it reached a canyon full of thick, dry brush. It has blackened 4.7 square miles, and was 10 percent contained.

**"This is gut-wrenching. It makes you sick."**

**Chris Christopherson**  
CalFire battalion chief

orders for 200 homes in Orange County's Silverado Canyon were lifted late Sunday as firefighters contained 50 percent of a wildfire.

The residents were evacuated after the fire broke out Friday. The U.S. Forest Service downgraded the fire's size from 2½ square miles to 1½ square miles due to better mapping of the blaze.

Six firefighters have suffered minor injuries, many of them from heat exhaustion as the region baked under triple-digit temperatures.



CHARLIE NEIBERGA/AP

Brenda Brink, of Huxley, Iowa, looks on before listening to Hillary Rodham Clinton speak at U.S. Sen. Tom Harkin's annual fundraising Steak Fry on Sunday.

## Iowa Dems react to Clinton speech, possible run

By CATHERINE LUCEY

The Associated Press

INDIANOLA, Iowa — Iowa Democrats gave a warm welcome to Hillary Rodham Clinton at retiring Sen. Tom Harkin's annual fundraiser. But not all party loyalists from the early voting state were ready to hand her the 2016 presidential nomination just yet.

Bill and Hillary Clinton were the keynote speakers Sunday at the final Harkin Steak Fry on the hot-air balloon grounds outside Indianola, south of Des Moines. The event served as an emotional commemoration of Harkin's 40 years in Congress and a rallying

cry for Democrats in the 2014 midterm elections.

Clinton has not been in Iowa since her 2008 caucus loss to now-President Barack Obama. Harkin dubbed the Clintons the "come-back couple," though he has not said if he would endorse Clinton if she runs, saying he wants her to make her decision first.

Clinton played coy on her 2016 plans, telling the crowd, "I am thinking about it." She concluded by saying, "It's really great to be back. Let's not let another seven years go by."

Jeromy Brown, 41, attended with his wife, Sarah, 35, and his

son, Fletcher, 3. The couple lives in Creston and plans to support Clinton should she run. They backed Obama in 2008, though they were not living in Iowa at the time.

"We were hoping we would be there for her announcement," Brown said. "It would have been great ... I think Clinton is the perfect person to continue Obama's legacy. It's good to know where her heart is, that she is a champion for the middle class."

Brenda Brink, 57, of Huxley, supported Obama in 2008 and was decked out in clothing supporting Sen. Elizabeth Warren,

D-Mass.

"Elizabeth Warren is looking out for people like me," Brink said. "I see [Clinton] more as a 'been there, done that.' We need someone to inspire. ... I think we need a candidate with less alignment to the status quo."

On the speech, she said: "She was pretty metered and pretty uninspired. I was at the Warren booth after and so many people came up and said, 'Yeah, Hillary, but I love Elizabeth Warren.' It's the same tired stuff. Everyone says middle class. What about the working poor?"



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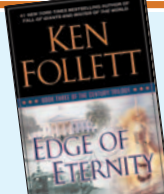
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## NATION

**Lawyer expects tests to show babies stillborn**

The lawyer for a Massachusetts woman arrested after the bodies of three infants were found in her home said he's optimistic that forensic testing will show the babies weren't born alive, and therefore weren't harmed or killed by his client.

Erika Murray, 31, was charged Friday with fetal death concealment and other counts after authorities found the infants' bodies in her squalid, vermin-infested Blackstone home. A medical examiner is determining whether the remains were newborns or fetuses.

Attorney Keith Halpern said Sunday that Murray was scared of giving birth because her long-time boyfriend didn't want more children.

**Funeral scheduled for ambushed Pa. trooper**

A funeral will be held Thursday for a Pennsylvania State Police trooper who was killed in an ambush outside his barracks.

Det. Brian K. Dixon II was killed and another trooper was critically wounded in the Friday night attack at the Blooming Grove, Pa., barracks. Police are still hunting for the killer.

The Marine Corps veteran joined the state police in 2007. He is survived by his wife of 10 years and two young sons.

Authorities said the wounded trooper, Alex Douglass, is conscious and talking for the first time since he underwent surgery. Police have no motive for the late-night attack but said they are following up on leads.

**Director out at clinic that treated Joan Rivers**

NEW YORK — The medical director of the facility where Joan Rivers went into cardiac arrest during a routine procedure is no longer at the clinic.

A Yorkville Endoscopy spokeswoman said Friday that Dr. Lawrence Cohen is no longer the facility's medical director, nor is he performing procedures there.

The spokeswoman didn't elaborate on the circumstances of the respected gastroenterologist's departure. Cohen is listed as a co-owner of the facility in New York state records.

Rivers, 81, died Sept. 4 at Mount Sinai Hospital a week after going into cardiac arrest.

**Newborn dies after mom killed by stray bullet**

PHILADELPHIA — A baby born to a woman fatally wounded by a stray bullet while sitting outside her home has died, police said Monday.

Megan Doto, 25, whose due date was next month, was struck in the face Sunday by a bullet that had traveled several hundred yards down the street, police Capt. Steven Muriakina said. She was pronounced dead after being rushed to Temple University Hospital, where doctors were able to deliver the baby by emergency C-section, authorities said.

The child died about 13 hours after her mother, police said.

From The Associated Press

# Police, victims at risk as gamers 'swat' each other

The Associated Press

DENVER — The calls to 911 raised an instant alarm: One caller said he shot his co-workers at a Colorado video game company and had hostages. Another in Florida said her father was drunk, wielding a machine gun and threatening their family.

A third caller on New York's Long Island claimed to have killed his mother and threatened to shoot first responders.

In each case, SWAT teams dispatched to the scene found no violent criminals or wounded victims — only video game players sitting at their computers, the startled victims of a hoax known as "swatting."

Authorities say the hoax that initially targeted celebrities has now become a way for players of combat-themed video games to retaliate against opponents while thousands of spectators watch. The perpetrators can watch their hijinks unfold minute by minute in a window that shows a live video image of other players.

"It's like creating your own episode of 'Cops,'" said Dr. John Grohol, a research psychologist who studies online behavior, referring to the long-running reality TV show that follows officers on patrol.

The players, who are often many miles away, look up their

opponent's addresses in phone directories, sometimes using services that can find unlisted numbers. They also exploit online programs that trick 911 dispatchers into believing an emergency call is coming from the victim's phone or address. All the while, they conceal their own identities and locations.

Authorities spent an estimated \$100,000 to send more than 60 officers in April to the hoax in Long Beach, N.Y. Investigators said the caller was upset over losing a game of "Call of Duty" when he called police using Skype. SWAT officers found only a teenager wearing headphones.

A Connecticut man was arrested Sept. 10 on federal charges that he made swatting calls there and in at least four other states. Authorities say Matthew Tollis, 21, belonged to a group that referred to itself as TeAM Crucifix or Die. Other members live in the United Kingdom, according to the FBI, which is still trying to learn their identities.

Grohol said the prevalence of live game-streaming might be one reason for the trend. As the victim in the Colorado case, Jordan Mathewson, put it to KMGH-TV, "They get to see all this go down right before their eyes and, you know, it's fun to them."



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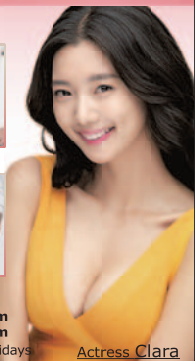
Nassau County police officers enter a home in Long Beach, N.Y., in April in search of an armed killer, based on a phone call that turned out to be a hoax. Authorities say the prank known as "swatting" is becoming increasingly popular among gamers.

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## WORLD

# A Scottish 'yes' would mean exit from EU, NATO

By JOHN-THOR DAHLBURG  
The Associated Press

BRUSSELS — If Scottish voters this week say Yes to independence, not only will they tear up the map of Great Britain, they'll shake the twin pillars of Western Europe's postwar prosperity and security — the European Union and the U.S.-led NATO defense alliance.

In breaking away from the rest of the United Kingdom, Scotland would automatically find itself outside both the EU and NATO, and have to reapply to join both, officials from those Brussels-based organizations have stressed.

For the EU especially, Scottish re-entry could be a long and arduous process, with other countries dead set against letting the Scots retain the privileges awarded Britain: the so-called opt-outs from being required to use the euro single currency and to join the multination Schengen zone where internal border controls have been scrapped.

For NATO's admirals and generals, the current Scottish government's insistence on a sovereign Scotland becoming free of nuclear weapons would pose enormous strategic and operational headaches, even if a transitional grace period were agreed on. A new homeport would have to be found for the Royal Navy's four Trident missile-carrying submarines and their thermonuclear warheads, currently based on the Clyde.

This "risks undermining the collective defense and deterrence of NATO allies," Britain's Ministry of Defense has said. In what might be read as a warning to the Scots, the ministry has said a nuclear-free stance could constitute a "significant" hurdle to Scotland being allowed back into NATO.

Until Scotland rejoined the alliance, to which it's belonged with the rest of Britain for 65 years, new arrangements would also need to be found to patrol vital shipping routes in the North Atlantic and North Sea. If Scotland were to choose not to rejoin, it would pose a conundrum for NATO for which there is no real precedent: what to do following the loss of a developed, democratically governed part of alliance territory that has opted for neutrality, said Daniel Troup, research analyst at the NATO Council of Canada.

Emergence of a new Western European country of 5 million inhabitants with roughly the land area of the Czech Republic or the U.S. state of Maine would also set

in motion political and social forces whose effects are impossible to predict. Because of British voting patterns, the political groups in England, Wales and Northern Ireland that are seeking Britain's exit from the European Union would become proportionately stronger in Parliament.

Meanwhile, on the continent, from Catalonia in Spain to the Dutch-speaking Flemish areas of Belgium, other European peoples that do not have their own states would likely be emboldened to follow the Scots' example.

Loss of Scotland would also weaken the influence of Britain inside the 28-nation European Union. For the moment, the British, along with the Germans and French, constitute the trade bloc's Big Three. Without Scotland's population, Britain would drop to No. 4, behind Italy.

That would mean fewer British members of the European Parliament, as well as a reduced say in population-weighted decision-making in the EU's executive.

"In the European Union, size matters," said Almut Moeller, an EU expert at the German Council on Foreign Relations. "It will be a rump United Kingdom."

This would have major policy implications. A whittled-down Britain would have a weaker hand in pressing for the kind of EU it favors: more of a free market, and less of a political union.

Simultaneously, said Richard G. Whitman, director of the Global Europe Center at the University of Kent, politicians and civil servants in London would be "massively preoccupied" for years in disentangling England from Scotland, following more than three centuries of political and economic union.

The result would be "a much-reduced bandwidth for defending a more liberalistic agenda" in Europe, Whitman said, including the proposed Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership between the EU and the United States.

Under both NATO and EU rules, any existing member could blackmail Scotland's application for admission, and some might find domestic political cause to do so. Spain, for example, might want to discourage independence-minded Catalans. For the English, divvying up the common assets with the Scots might turn as acrimonious as a Hollywood divorce, Whitman said.



MATT DUNHAM/AP

Decorated stones form "The Auld Acquaintance" cairn, which is being built as a monument supporting the union of Scotland and the U.K. on the England-Scotland border near Gretna, Scotland. Scottish voters will decide Thursday whether to separate from the rest of the United Kingdom.

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## WORLD

## Shelling shakes Ukraine cease-fire

By LAURA MILLS  
The Associated Press

KIEV, Ukraine — Shelling killed six people and wounded 15 others in the rebel stronghold of Donetsk, the city council said Monday — the worst reported violence since a cease-fire between Russian-backed rebels and Ukrainian troops took effect on Sept. 5.

Nonetheless, the cease-fire deal has brought some normalcy to parts of eastern Ukraine and allowed prisoners on both sides to go home.

Another 73 Ukrainian soldiers were freed Sunday night in an exchange with the rebels, Col. Andriy Lysenko, spokesman for the Ukrainian National Security and Defense Council, said Monday. Donetsk rebel leader Andrei Purgin was quoted by Interfax news agency as confirming that 73 rebels had been released in return. It was the largest reported prisoner exchange amid the fighting that began in mid-April.

Fighting around Donetsk's government-held airport has left many northern neighborhoods in the crossfire. Over the weekend, Ukraine said its troops repelled an attack of 200 rebel fighters, but suffered no military casualties.

Two northern neighborhoods in Donetsk were shelled heavily Sunday, leading to the casualties and damaging homes and offices, the city council said.

While the neighborhoods hit by shelling are under the control of the rebels, the Ukrainian government blamed the militants for the civilian casualties.

"Neither today nor yesterday nor in the previous days did



SERGEI CHUZAVKOV/AP

Ukrainian soldiers talk to a colleague after arriving on rotation from the front line in Kiev, Ukraine, on Monday.

Ukrainian forces shell any residential areas and settlements," Lysenko said in Kiev on Monday.

Observers from the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe, who are overseeing the implementation of the cease-fire, said Sunday they were 650 feet away as four shells burst in Donetsk. The team saw one woman lying on the ground.

The first civilian casualties in Donetsk underscore how fragile the peace may be. Both sides

have made it clear that they are rearming in case the fighting starts anew.

Ukrainian Defense Minister Valeriy Heletey told Channel Five that the delivery of weapons from NATO countries, agreed upon earlier this month, was "underway." Those comments were also made by another senior official but later denied by four of the five NATO countries he had mentioned.

On Monday, Poland's Defense

Minister Tomasz Siemoniak said that while Poland is not currently selling arms to Ukraine, an arms deal will be the theme of talks when Heletey visits Warsaw this month. He offered no date for the visit.

The fighting in eastern Ukraine began a month after Russia annexed the Black Sea peninsula of Crimea in March. It has claimed at least 3,000 civilian lives and forced hundreds of thousands to flee, according to the U.N.

## 500 migrants feared dead after boat rammed

GENEVA — The International Organization for Migration said about 500 migrants are feared to have died after their boat was rammed and sank off the Malta coast last week.

IOM spokeswoman Christiane Berthiaume said Monday that witnesses told the organization that the boat left Damietta, Egypt, in early September with Syrians, Palestinians, Egyptians and Sudanese aboard. It sank Wednesday, reportedly after a group of human traffickers rammed it with another boat.

Berthiaume told The Associated Press that two Palestinian survivors said there had been a violent confrontation between the migrants and the traffickers, who wanted to move everyone to one of their smaller vessels.

## US reopening facility in Central African Republic

WASHINGTON — The State Department said it's reopening the U.S. Embassy in the Central African Republic.

The U.S. evacuated the facility in Bangui, suspended operations and urged Americans to leave in December 2012 because of sectarian violence that left thousands of people dead.

The U.N. has stationed peacekeepers in the country, and Secretary of State John Kerry said in a statement Monday progress has been made at putting the nation on "a path toward peace and stability."

## Hurricane Odile slams Mexico's Baja California

CABO SAN LUCAS, Mexico — Hurricane Odile hammered Mexico's Baja California Peninsula on Sunday night, tearing away the facades of luxury resorts, shattering countless car and hotel windows and leaving lobbies swamped and full of debris on Monday.

The storm toppled trees, power poles and road signs along the main highway, which at one point was swamped by rushing floodwaters. Room windows at the Westin were blown out, mud and rock blocked the entrance to the Club Regina and workers said the Hilton was seriously damaged.

The storm's maximum sustained winds were near 110 mph as it moved over the peninsula as a Category 2 hurricane.

## Suspected extremist on trial in Germany

BERLIN — A German man is going on trial in Frankfurt accused of being a member of the extremist Islamic State group.

Monday's case is the first such case to come to court in Germany and opens just days after the country banned Islamic State symbols and any propaganda activity for the group.

Prosecutors allege that Kreshnik Berisha, 20, who once played for a Jewish football club, traveled last year to Syria, where he fought with the group before returning to Germany five months later. Berisha faces up to 10 years in prison for membership in a foreign terrorist organization.

From The Associated Press

## Joint NATO exercise underway in Ukraine

By JOHN VANDIVER  
Stars and Stripes

U.S. Army paratroopers on Monday began nearly two weeks of exercises in Ukraine, where soldiers from the Vicenza, Italy-based 173rd Airborne Brigade are working alongside more than 1,000 troops from other NATO member countries.

Rapid Trident is the first major combat exercise on Ukrainian soil since Russia's annexation of the Crimean peninsula in March and subsequent incursions into eastern Ukraine, where a tenuous cease-fire is in place after months of heavy fighting between Ukrainian forces and pro-Russia separatists.

The long-planned exercise, initially scheduled for the summer, was pushed back as Ukraine dealt with the unfolding crisis in the eastern part of the country, where sporadic fighting continues.

During Rapid Trident, troops from the U.S., Ukraine and 13

other countries will conduct a series of drills aimed at bolstering combat capabilities. Areas of focus include countering roadside bombs and tactics for effectively running convoys and patrols in hostile environments.

Russia has amassed troops close to Ukraine's border in recent months and conducted a series of military exercises. Russia's show of muscle and aggression toward Ukraine have soured relations with NATO and its member countries.

In addition to sanctions imposed by the U.S. and European Union, NATO has taken steps to increase its readiness and military response time to reassure nervous allies or close to Russia's borders, in particular Poland and the three Baltic states.

Soldiers from the 173rd have conducted numerous exercises in those countries in recent months, as U.S. European Command has boosted its presence in the region.



JOSHUA LEONARD/Courtesy of the U.S. Army

A soldier from the 173rd Airborne Brigade stands in formation during Exercise Rapid Trident's opening ceremony in Yavoriv, Ukraine, on Monday.

Rapid Trident, which will conclude on Sept. 26, is taking place at the International Peace Keeping and Security Center in Yavoriv, which is in western Ukraine, far from the tensions in the east.

The participating countries are

Ukraine, Azerbaijan, Bulgaria, Canada, Georgia, Germany, Great Britain, Latvia, Lithuania, Moldova, Norway, Poland, Romania, Spain and the U.S.

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# WAR ON TERRORISM

# Diplomats commit to thwarting Islamic State

By LORI HINNANT  
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PARIS — Diplomats from around the world pledged to fight Islamic State militants "by any means necessary" as Iraq asked allies to thwart the extremists wherever they find sanctuary.

Iran and the United States ruled out coordinating with each other, leaving Baghdad's government caught between two powerful and antagonistic allies.

Neither Iran nor Syria, which together share most of Iraq's borders, was invited to the international conference in Paris, which opened as a pair of French reconnaissance jets took off over Iraqi skies. But the State Department left open the possibility of new discussions with Iran later in the week, while precluding any military cooperation.

"We are asking for airborne operations to be continued regularly against terrorist sites. We must not allow them to set up sanctuaries. We must pursue them wherever they are. We must cut off their financing. We must bring them to justice and we must stop the fighters in neighboring countries from joining them," Iraq President Fouad Massoud said.

With memories of the 2003 U.S. invasion of Iraq still raw, the U.S. has so far been alone in carrying out airstrikes, and no country has offered ground troops, but Iraq on Monday won a declaration by the conference's 24 participant nations to help fight the militants "by any means necessary, including military assistance." An American official said Sunday that several Arab countries had offered to conduct airstrikes, speaking on condition of anonymity to discuss the sensitive issue, and there were no public commitments on Monday.

Secretary of the U.S. Air Force Deborah Lee James promised a more intense bombing campaign



YOAN VALAT/AP

**French Foreign Minister Laurent Fabius, center, attends an international conference Monday in Paris intended to devise an international strategy against the Islamic State group. France, which had attempted to invite Iran to the conference, flew reconnaissance jets over Iraq as the meeting opened.**

**"The threat is global, and the response must be global. There is no time to waste."**

**Francois Hollande**  
French president

and hinted that other countries might become involved. "When the time is right, ISIL will feel the full fury of the United States military, particularly the U.S. Air Force, who along with our joint and allied partners will be relentless in our pursuit," she said at an Air Force Association conference at National Harbor, Md.

ISIL is an acronym used to refer to the Islamic State. Other leaders called for stronger international action. "The threat is global, and the response must be global," French President Francois Hollande said, opening the diplomatic conference intended to come up with an international strategy against the group. "There is no time to lose."

The killing of David Haines, a British aid worker held hostage by the militants, added urgency to the calls for a coherent strategy against the brutal and well-organized Sunni group, which is

a magnet for Muslim extremists from all over the world. The group rakes in more than \$3 million a day from oil smuggling, human trafficking, theft and extortion, according to U.S. intelligence officials and private experts.

Massoud called for a coordinated military and humanitarian approach, as well as regular strikes against territory in the hands of the extremists and the elimination of their funding.

After the conference ended, U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry met privately with Massoud at the Iraqi Embassy in Paris, telling him that the drive for an inclusive

Iraq government had been key to Monday's pledges.

Fighters with the Islamic State group, including many Iraqis, swept in from Syria and overwhelmed the Iraqi military in the Sunni-dominated Anbar province, capitalizing on long-standing grievances against the Shiite-led government in Baghdad.

Muslim-majority countries are considered vital to any operation to prevent the militants from gaining more territory in Iraq and Syria. Western officials have made clear they consider Syrian President Bashar Assad part of the problem, and U.S. officials op-

posed France's attempt to invite Iran, a Shiite nation, to the conference in Paris.

Iranian Supreme leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, speaking on Iranian state television, said his government privately refused American requests for cooperation against the Islamic State group, warning that another U.S. incursion would result "in the same problems they faced in Iraq in the past 10 years."

Kerry said the U.S. won't shut the door on the possibility of working with Iran against a common enemy in the Islamic State militant group, but the two nations won't coordinate on military action. Kerry ruled out working with the Syrian government, although he vaguely described ways to communicate to avoid mistakes should the U.S. and its allies begin bombing the Sunni extremist group's safe haven there.

Kerry told a small group of reporters that it's unclear how the U.S. and Iran might join up to eliminate the extremists.

Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov insisted Monday that Syria and Iran are "natural allies" in the fight against the extremists, and therefore must be engaged, according to Russian news agencies.

"The extremists are trying to use any disagreements in our positions to tear apart the united front of states acting against them," he said.

Iraq's president, who has said he regretted Iran's absence, appeared ambivalent about Arab participation, saying his country needed the support of its neighbors — but not necessarily their fighter jets or soldiers.

Gulf states, particularly Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates, have some of the region's best-equipped militaries, and they could theoretically provide air support to a broader international coalition.

Stars and Stripes reporter Jon Harper contributed to this report.

# Cuts: Lawmaker says US must be on wartime footing when it comes to spending

## FROM FRONT PAGE

to increase under the plan to step up airstrikes, intensify surveillance and conduct counterterrorism operations against the Sunni extremist force and its leaders.

There are already calls in Congress to eliminate the \$45 billion in sequestration spending cuts that are set to hit next fiscal year, which starts Oct. 1, and to increase the supplemental appropriations used to fund the actual war fighting, as opposed to other parts of the Pentagon budget.

Rep. Peter T. King, R-N.Y., who chairs a House subcommittee on counterterrorism and intelligence, said lawmakers should reconsider cuts to the defense budget to ensure the latest military venture is funded for the long haul.

"This is not just bombing a mountainside or securing a dam," he said. "This is a war that could go on for another 10, 15 years. And to do that we're going to have to

recalibrate our thinking toward defense and realize that we have to be on a wartime footing when it comes to spending."

House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., said budget discussions have begun to address the new national security priorities.

"Every time we talk about any initiative for the use of force or the initiation of hostilities, it's a question of resources," she said. "There is a concern, and it's been brought up in our meetings. But we have a first responsibility to protect and defend. That is the oath we take."

The military action has meant a policy reversal for Obama, who vowed in May 2013 to take America off its "permanent war footing" and to curtail the use of drones. As of Saturday, the U.S. had launched 160 airstrikes in northern Iraq in five weeks, compared with 147 drone strikes over the past three years in northwest Pakistan, where al Qaeda is still based.

For lawmakers, voting to in-

crease military spending may be easier than approving other spending increases, given the public outcry since videos surfaced last month showing Islamic State fighters beheading two American journalists.

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R-N.Y.

A third video released Saturday appeared to show the beheading of a British aid worker. Opinion polls show broad public support for U.S. airstrikes

against the insurgents.

"Further reductions in Pentagon spending are unlikely [because] public sentiment has turned," said Loren Thompson, military policy analyst for the Lexington Institute in Arlington, Va., which advises defense contractors.

Since taking office in February 2013, Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel has proposed, among other things, reducing the size of headquarters staff, cutting the number of troops and retiring fleets of Cold War-era aircraft.

The Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments, a Washington think tank, concluded in a recent report that inflation-adjusted defense spending has declined 21 percent since 2010. This includes special supplementary appropriations for the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, which are considered "overseas contingency operations."

The Pentagon was under pressure to lower war-related spending

in the latest budget round of request for fiscal 2015. At the time, the Pentagon requested \$58.6 billion, which is about \$20 billion less than the 2014 request.

But the budgets were drawn before the Islamic State fighters began seizing major cities and towns in western and northern Iraq last spring. The overseas contingency operations request, which still must be voted on by Congress, will likely be increased, while the \$496 billion base budget request for 2015 will stay untouched, analysts say.

"The impact of the current crisis is that the Congress and the White House will mutually agree to actually increase the defense budget, through the war budget, without compromising the budget deal," said Gordon Adams, a defense budget expert at American University and a former official with the Office of Management and Budget.

## WAR ON TERRORISM

# Islamic State imposes new curriculum on Iraq schools

BY SINAN SALAHEDDIN  
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*The Associated Press*

BAGHDAD — The extremist-held Iraqi city of Mosul is set to usher in a new school year. But unlike years past, there will be no art or music. Classes about history, literature and Christianity have been “permanently annulled.”

The Islamic State group has declared patriotic songs blasphemous and ordered that certain pictures be torn out of textbooks.

But instead of compliance, Iraq's second largest city has, at least so far — responded to the Sunni militants' demands with silence. Although the extremists stipulated that the school year would begin Sept. 9, pupils have uniformly not shown up for class, according to residents who spoke anonymously because of safety concerns. They said families were keeping their children home out of mixed feelings of fear, resistance and uncertainty.

“What's important to us now is that the children continue receiving knowledge correctly, even if they lose a whole academic year

and an official certification,” a Mosul resident who identified himself as Abu Hassan told The Associated Press, giving only his nickname for fear of reprisals. He and his wife have opted for home

**‘They will  
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their  
thoughts.’**

**Abu Hassan**  
parent in Mosul

schooling, picking up the required readings at the local market. The fall of Mosul on June 10 was a turning point in Iraq's war against the jihadist group that calls itself the Islamic State. The U.S.-trained Iraqi military, harassed for months by small-scale attacks, buckled almost instantly when militants advanced on the city. Commanders disappeared. Pleas for more ammunition went unanswered. In some cases, soldiers stripped off their uniforms and ran.

The city would come to represent the expanding power and

influence of the extremist group, which was born in Iraq but spread to Syria, where it grew exponentially in the chaos of the country's civil war. Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi, the group's reclusive leader, made his first video appearance in Mosul in July to announce his vision for a self-styled caliphate — an Islamic state — of which he would be the caliph, or leader.

Part of the Islamic State group's core strategy is to establish administration over lands that it controls to project an image of itself as a ruler and not just a fighting force. In parts of Syria under its control, the group now administers courts, fixes roads and even polices traffic. It recently imposed a curriculum in schools in its Syrian stronghold, Raqqa, scrapping subjects such as philosophy and chemistry, and fine-tuning the sciences to fit with its ideology.

In Mosul, schools have been presented with a new set of rules, advertised in a two-page bulletin posted on mosques, in markets and on electricity poles. The statement, dated Sept. 5, cheered “good news of the establishment of the Islamic State Education



**A fighter from the Islamic State distributes a copy of the Quran, Islam's holy book, to a driver in Mosul, Iraq, in June. With school set to begin soon, and the extremist group has revamped class curriculum to reflect its ultra-conservative interpretation of Islam.**

Diwan by the caliph who seeks to eliminate ignorance, to spread religious sciences and to fight the decayed curriculum.”

The new Mosul curriculum, allegedly issued by al-Baghdadi himself, stresses that any reference to the republics of Iraq or Syria must be replaced with “Islamic State.” Pictures that violate its ultra-conservative interpretation of Islam will be ripped out of books. Anthems and lyrics that encourage love of country are now viewed as a show of “polytheism and blasphemy,” and are strictly banned.

Abu Hassan and his fellow residents acknowledge the risks involved in keeping the children at home, but say that protecting their minds is equally important. “They will brainwash them and contaminate their thoughts,” he said.

This past weekend, some families said that a new statement from the Islamic State group began circulating through the city, demanding that students show up for class on Tuesday. Others said they never received the notice.

It was unclear whether teachers and school administrators have also stayed home rather than show up for work.

## Some say Iraq's plan for national guard force is doomed

BY LOVEDAY MORRIS  
*The Washington Post*

BAGHDAD — Wathban al-Jabbouri is the kind of man that the Iraqi and U.S. governments are depending on to turn the tide against the Islamic State fighters who have seized a huge swath of territory in this country.

For three months, the 33-year-old Sunni tribesman fought bitterly to keep the Islamic State out of his town, until an explosives-packed Humvee rammed his front-line position and sent him to the hospital bed where he now lies.

Iraqi Prime Minister Haider al-Abadi wants to use fighters such as Jabbouri to fill new national guard units intended to protect their home provinces. President Barack Obama announced U.S. support for the project in his speech last week on countering the Sunni extremists of the Islamic State.

But even Jabbouri is uncertain whether the plan can work.

“We've begged other tribes in our areas to join, but they either sit aside and do nothing or they are with them,” he said, referring to the Islamic State.

While details on the new national guard are being finalized, current discussions center on creating Sunni and Shiite units to serve in their respective areas of influence.

But the Shiite-led government faces huge challenges in winning support from the Sunni community and in subjugating Shiite militias that are leading the fight against the Islamic State, experts say.

Meanwhile, Kurds have flatly rejected suggestions that the peshmarga forces in their semiautonomous northern region be incorporated into the new force.

Jabbouri doesn't oppose the plan to build a national guard force. Anything that might



**Wathban al-Jabbouri, recovering in a Baghdad hospital, fought the Islamic State for three months with fellow Sunni tribesmen before being injured in a suicide bombing.**

bring salaries or ammunition to his tribesmen is worth trying, he said. The militants they are fighting are battle-hardened and better trained and equipped — to the extent that they sacrificed two Humvees in the suicide bombing that injured him this month in his home town of Dhuliyah, 45 miles north of Baghdad.

Jabbouri's tribe, however, is not necessarily typical. When Islamic State militants swept into northern and western Iraq this year, some Sunni tribes welcomed them or quietly capitulated. Many Sunnis

had angrily complained of discrimination under former prime minister Nouri al-Maliki, a Shiite.

In Arab Jabour, once a Sunni insurgent haven just south of Baghdad, Sheikh Mustafa al-Shabib says he has rejected approaches by Iraqi officials for him to help coordinate the new national guard. For him, it bears too much resemblance to the Awakening Movement, or Sahwa, a program started by the United States in 2006 to use Sunni tribesmen to crush al-Qaida. The U.S. military regarded the program as

critical in defeating the Sunni insurgency at the time.

However, the project had an acrimonious end after it was transferred to the Iraqi government, which did not pay salaries or keep promises to incorporate the Sunni fighters into the regular security forces.

“Back in 2005, the Americans were too afraid to come here. It was a city of death,” Shabib said. “We cleared out al-Qaida, we brought back life, and what thanks did we receive from the government? None.”

Shabib said that when the Awakening forces were disbanded, he was offered a job in the army as a regular soldier, which he said was an insult after he served as a general under Saddam Hussein and later led 3,000 tribal fighters.

In 2009 he was arrested under terrorism laws that Sunni complain are used to target their community.

“They betrayed the Awakening project, and therefore they will pay the price,” Shabib said.

The new prime minister is making efforts to build bridges, and on Saturday he announced that he had ordered the Iraqi air force to end the bombardment of residential areas, even in Sunni-dominated towns controlled by the Islamic State. The indiscriminate airstrikes — often using inaccurate barrel bombs — had fuelled anger against the state.

Incorporating the Shiite militias into the national guard is also likely to be challenging, said Raoul Alcala, a former U.S. adviser to Iraq's national security council. “I don't think it's possible or feasible,” he said. “The militias have never wanted to be controlled by anybody except for their designated leaders. I'd be very surprised if the model would work, but it's a noble effort.”

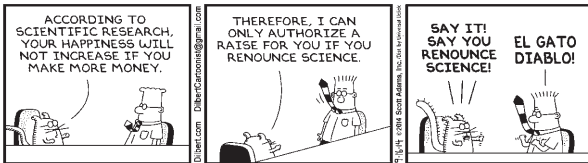
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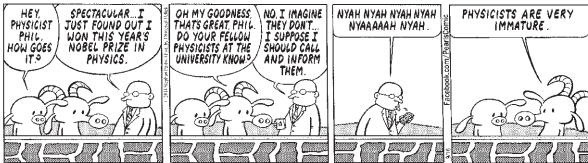
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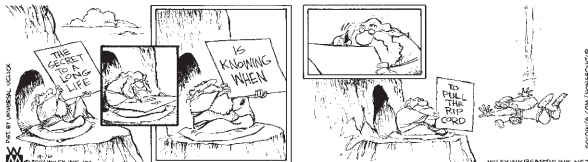
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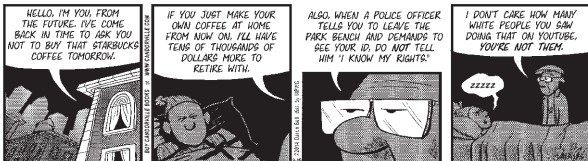
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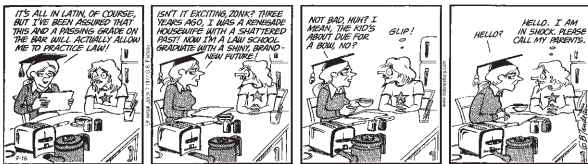
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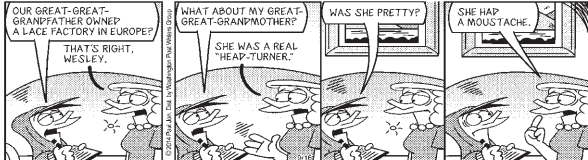
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## Eugene Sheffer Crossword

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- Impact sound
- Dispatched
- Domesticate
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- Individually
- Fix manuscripts
- Fencing material
- Spy's device
- Full-length
- Rowing need
- Ostrich's cousin
- Frighten
- Keq accessory
- Witticism
- Evergreen variety
- Schwarz
- Type of pie
- Money of Denmark
- Feedbag morsel
- Golf prop
- Oak nut
- Family
- Hootenanny rendition
- Press
- Amos' pal
- Homer's interjection
- Toy block name
- Roger of "Cheers"
- Addnl. phone
- Swag

### DOWN

- Crock-Pot creation
- "— but known ..."
- Eastern potentate (Var.)
- shower
- Kiddie-lit pachyderm
- Now, on a memo
- Russian orbiter until 2001
- In the bag
- Secular
- Beige
- Sharpen
- Push slightly
- Highland hat
- Listener
- Pump up the volume
- Rawls or Reed
- \$ dispenser
- Stannum
- E.T.'s craft
- Fellow
- "The Raven" writer
- Healthy
- 1982 teen comedy movie
- Nebr. neighbor
- Barbie's companion
- Second cup of coffee, e.g.
- Snug
- Somewhere out there
- Scoop holder
- Shoppe description
- Kentucky fort
- Sandwich cookie
- Corporate symbol
- Entanglement
- Rhyming tribute

### Answer to Previous Puzzle

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## SHIFTING GEARS



Mazda's fourth-generation MX-5 Miata roadster will stick to the four-cylinder, rear-wheel-drive formula of its predecessors. The car sheds 220 pounds and shrinks 3 inches.

PHOTOS BY MAZDA/MCT

# Mazda reveals newest MX-5 Miata

BY DAVID UNDERCOFFLER  
Los Angeles Times

Twenty-five years after resurrecting the roadster, Mazda has unveiled the latest version of its MX-5 Miata, the best-selling two-seat convertible in history.

"The MX-5 Miata stands as the flag-bearer for everything that a Mazda vehicle is," Jim O'Sullivan, president and chief executive of Mazda North America, said ahead of the simultaneous debuts in Monterey, Calif., Tokyo and Barcelona, Spain, which occurred Sept. 3. "[The reveal is a big deal for us.]

The all-new fourth-generation Miata — known only as the MX-5 abroad — goes on sale next year as a 2016 model and is expected to make its North American debut at the 2014 Los Angeles Auto Show in November.

Mazda didn't disclose details on engines, horsepower or other specifications, but expect the formula to stay the same: four cylinders, rear-wheel drive and a six-speed stick shift (an automatic optional). Like all other Miatas, it will prioritize eager handling over raw power.

Mazda shaved roughly 220 pounds off the outgoing model — an impressive feat given the existing car weighs only about 2,500 pounds. It also lost 3 inches in overall length and half an inch in width, a profile closer to the original model.

The design of the new Miata expands on the aesthetic of the rest of Mazda's lineup. Narrow, squinting headlights are etched into a sloping front grill. At the back, circular taillights are offset by turn signals that curve around

the side of the car.

The overall look is more angular and less cute than the third-generation Miata, but relies less on a retro theme than the original car.

That original Miata defined affordable thrills for a new generation of buyers. Drawing on the heritage of lost roadsters from brands such as Lotus, MG and Triumph, the first-generation Miata proved a sensation at its Chicago Auto Show debut in 1989.

At the time, no one else offered

bet worked, and Mazdas have been known as some of the best-handling vehicles in their respective segments ever since.

The original Miata started at just \$13,800. With 116 horsepower moving just 2,181 pounds of mass, it offered thrills in the form of an intimate connection with the road.

"It was all about the handling, having fun at relatively sane speeds at a time when conventional wisdom was that power equaled fun," Kim said.

In 1990, it accounted for more than 10 percent of all of Mazda's sales — nearly 36,000 cars, according to the automaker. Other affordable sports cars later joined the fray, including the Honda S2000, the BMW Z3, Toyota MR2, Pontiac Solstice and Saturn Sky.

But none could quite match the Miata's delicate balance of affordable fun.

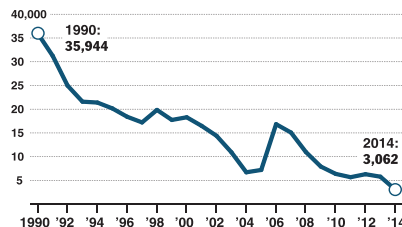
Over the subsequent generations, Mazda has sold more than 930,000 copies of the Miata globally, enough to earn certification from Guinness World Records as the world's best-selling roadster.

But sales of new Miatas have fallen steadily over the years, with the latest model selling just 5,780 copies in 2013, according to Edmunds.com. That's due to the aging current model and competition from other entry-level sports cars, such as the Ford Mustang and Chevy Camaro.

This low-volume segment remains a risky venture for automakers, a key reason Subaru and Toyota produced their new BRZ and FR-S sports cars — also Miata competitors — in a joint

## 25 years of the Mazda Miata

With the launch of a redesigned Miata MX-5, Mazda hopes to reignite sales of the best-selling two-seat convertible in history.



SOURCES: Edmunds.com, Mazda

KYLE KIM, LOS ANGELES TIMES/MCT

venture. But for a small, independent brand like Mazda, it's even more tricky.

That's why this new fourth-generation Miata will eventually have a twin. Fiat is working with Mazda to develop its own version of the car, to debut later. This helps Mazda share some of

the costs, but it also carries some risk.

"Doing this car with a partner can help the business case dramatically, but it also creates a close competitor," Kim said. "Clearly, Mazda did some math and decided that sharing this car with Fiat was better than doing it alone."



a rear-wheel-drive sports car in a reliable and value-oriented package. Sports cars such as the Nissan Z and Toyota Supra were getting bigger, heavier and more expensive.

Building a small sports car was a risky venture for any automaker in the late 1980s.

"Making a relatively low-volume car on its own dedicated platform didn't make a whole lot of sense," said Ed Kim, vice president of industry analysis at AutoPacific.

Mazda gambled that the Miata's sporting ethos would trickle down to the rest of its lineup. The

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# AMERICAN ROUNDUP

## 3 rescued uninjured after plane goes down

**AK** JOINT BASE ELMENDORF-RICHARDSON — The Alaska Air National Guard said it rescued three people after a small plane went down near Beluga Mountain, northwest of Anchorage.

The plane's emergency locator beacon sent a signal to the Alaska Rescue Coordination Center about 1:30 p.m. Saturday.

The Air National Guard's rescue helicopter headed for the coordinates transmitted from the beacon and found the plane 1.2 miles away.

The three people who had been onboard were taken to Providence Medical Center in Anchorage. They were released shortly after 5 p.m. in good condition with no reported injuries.

It wasn't immediately clear what caused the plane to go down nor whether it sustained damage.

## Police: Man recorded women in bathroom

**MA** ARLINGTON — A New Hampshire man has been charged with secretly recording women in a bathroom at a Massachusetts cafe, and authorities say they're investigating whether he planted cameras at other restaurants.

Police arrested Joseph Hennessey, 53, of Salem, N.H., on Saturday at the Kickstand Cafe in Arlington, Mass., after cafe workers called authorities to report a suspicious person. Police said they found a camera hidden in a flower basket in the bathroom.

Police said Hennessey works for the Arlington Public Works Department and has been out on worker's compensation.

Hennessey is detained without bail on charges including violating the state's recent "upskirting" law. He was to be arraigned in District Court in Medford on Monday.

## Transgender girl named homecoming princess

**CO** COLORADO SPRINGS — A transgender girl was crowned homecoming princess at a Colorado Springs high school.

The Gazette of Colorado Springs reported Saturday that Scarlett Lenh, 16, received the majority of the votes from her junior class at Sand Creek High School, besting three biological girls for the honor. Lenh, biologically a boy, was born Andy Lenh. She was bestowed the honor during Friday night's football game.

Lenh began identifying as a transgender girl this school year and began using his girls' bathroom. She said she's known she was a girl since about age 7 or 8. "It was really exciting. It felt really good. I couldn't stop smiling," Lenh said after she found out at an afternoon assembly that the majority of the junior class had voted for her.

Two of the other girls who were nominated by their peers were "extremely supportive," Lenh said, and the other "was really upset."

## THE CENSUS

# \$200K

The value of dozens of marijuana plants Pennsylvania State Police say they seized from a property in western Pennsylvania. Acting on a tip, police investigated the 132-acre farm in Morgan Township, about 30 miles south of Pittsburgh. Police said they found 92 pot plants ranging from 2 to 6 feet high in an adapted chicken coop. Three people were arrested Friday and were charged with various drug offenses.



MIRANDA PEDERSON, (BOWLING GREEN, KY.) DAILY NEWS/AP

## Push for a pooch

Corbin Schneider celebrates his seventh birthday with his dog, Jingles, a 10-month-old golden retriever, as he helps her get out of the pool after jumping for a ball Saturday during the Bowling Green-Warren County Humane Society's annual Puppy Paddle in Bowling Green, Ky.

## Police seek huge boa constrictor on loose

**ID** NAMPA — Police in Nampa said they're on the lookout for a 9-foot Columbian boa constrictor named Trinity.

The big snake last was seen about 4 p.m. Friday, before it escaped from its cage.

The Idaho Statesman reported the snake last ate three weeks ago.

Police urged anybody who sees the snake not to try to catch it but to call the Nampa Police Department.

## Nudist camp accused of stealing water

**CA** LOS GATOS — Officials in Northern California are accusing a nudist resort of stealing water during the state's historic drought.

The San Jose Mercury News reported that rangers with the Midpeninsula Open Space District descended on Lupin Lodge near Los Gatos on Thursday, saying the clothing-optional resort was illegally taking water from a nearby upstream waterfall.

The resort's owners say they

are entitled to use the waterfall, which they need to keep their water tank full in case of a fire and to top off their pool for both skinny-dipping and as a backup water source for a fire.

No arrests were made or citations issued Thursday, but rangers dismantled a hose leading from the resort to the waterfall.

The resort is on California's official drought-watch list as one of five communities forced to haul in weekly truckloads of water.

## Prosecutor appointed in mayor gun probe

**MA** FALL RIVER — Bristol County District Attorney Sam Sutter has appointed a special prosecutor to investigate whether Fall River Mayor William Flanagan used a gun to intimidate a city councilor.

Sutter said former state and federal prosecutor William Connolly will look into the allegation.

City Councilor Jasiel Correia II has accused Flanagan of trying to intimidate him by showing him a gun during a ride in the mayor's sport-utility vehicle last month, after Correia signed a petition seeking the mayor's recall.

Flanagan said he did show

Correia his gun when Correia said he was considering getting a concealed-weapon license. Flanagan said there was no threat.

Sutter said Fall River police asked him to investigate. Sutter said he has conflicts of interest with Flanagan and Correia, so he appointed a special prosecutor Friday.

## Beer returns to cheap seats at Folsom Field

**CO** BOULDER — Beer and wine returned to the regular seating areas at the University of Colorado, Boulder's Folsom Field for the first time in 19 years.

The Daily Camera reported that Saturday's matchup against Arizona State was the first time since 1995 that beer or wine could be purchased at the stadium — outside the premium seating areas. Alcohol was offered to those 21 and older in beer gardens, where it must also be consumed.

Alcohol was banned in 1996 as the school and Boulder cracked down on excessive drinking on and around campus.

CU Police Chief Melissa Zak said lifting the ban is aimed at keeping people in the stadium.

Zak said that people would go to the parking lot, drink their beverages and return to their seats.

## Endangered condors set to be released into wild

**AZ** VERMILION CLIFFS NATIONAL MONUMENT — Endangered California condors are set to be released into the wild in far northern Arizona later this month.

The public release on Sept. 27 coincides with National Public Lands Day. It will be the 18th release of the birds in Arizona since a recovery program began in 1996.

The condors are hatched and reared in captivity at The Peregrine Fund's World Center for Birds of Prey in Boise, Idaho, and transported to Arizona for release. Some of the birds also come from zoos in Oregon and California.

Spotting scopes will be set up at Vermilion Cliffs National Monument for the release.

More than 70 condors are in a flock that roams the Arizona-Utah border.

There were just 22 condors when a program was started to save the species from extinction.

From wire reports



## FACES

# Real-life scandal

## Washington discusses domestic violence

By MIKE CIDONI LENNON

The Associated Press

**I**t didn't take the Ray Rice elevator video to get Kerry Washington talking about domestic violence.

In fact, the day before news outlets were looping security-camera images of the NFL running back punching out his then-fiancée Janay Palmer, the "Scandal" actress was filming a public service announcement about a rarely discussed component of domestic violence known as financial abuse.

"For many, many of those cases — 98 percent of those cases — the financial abuse is what keeps a woman trapped," Washington said. "Not being able to control your finances, destroying a woman's credit, jeopardizing her job." In her PSA, Washington says "one in four women will be a victim of domestic violence. Finances are almost always a weapon of choice."

Washington rarely talks to reporters about anything outside of her work. She keeps her private life so private that many in Hollywood were surprised by the news in June 2013 that she had married former NFL cornerback Nnamdi Asomugha, with whom Washington welcomed their first child, daughter Isabelle Amarachi, in April.

"Scandal," for which Washington has earned two Emmy nominations, returns for a fourth season Sept. 25, and Washington promised season-three cliffhangers would be quickly addressed.

For one thing, "I can tell you there's going to be a lot of (actress Darby Stanchfield's character) Abby this season," Washington teased

at last month's Emmy Awards. I've heard it's been called "The Year of Abby."

One of Olivia's so-called "gladiators," Abby is a victim of domestic violence.

"Darby Stanchfield and I, as actors, talk a lot about, 'What was that like when Olivia stepped in and took a tire iron to some guy's knee to save her girlfriend?'" Washington said. "What were the stakes that would make her do something like that?"

That "Scandal" storyline has resonated with many viewers, Washington said.

"Women watch that (Abby's story) and say to Darby when they see her in public, 'I'm so glad to know that you guys aren't shying away from that issue.'"

Washington was asked to do the domestic abuse PSA by The Allstate Foundation, which had already put into motion an initiative called "Purple Purse," to raise awareness of domestic abuse involving money. Washington said the facts and figures presented were such eye openers that she immediately agreed to serve as the campaign's spokeswoman.

Washington also designed a symbolic purse to raise funds for the initiative. Just 500 will be produced, with some given to celebrities to promote the cause. Other purses will be given to charities, some of which are expected to use them as fundraisers, with the purses ultimately going to abuse survivors.

More information about the initiative can be found at purplepurse.com.



Kerry Washington  
MATT SAYLES, INVISION/AP

## 'Simpsons' toast show's 25 years

Barb and Lisa Simpson, Chief Wiggum and son Ralph, bartender Moe and Apu from Kwik-E-Mart came to the Hollywood Bowl to celebrate 25 years of "The Simpsons."

Those characters are performed by three actors — Nancy Cartwright, Yeardley Smith and Hank Azaria — who hosted the world premiere of "The Simpsons Take the Bowl" at the legendary concert venue Sept. 12. The program featured music, stars and reminiscences from TV's longest-running scripted show.

The Hollywood Bowl Orchestra, which featured several members wearing tall, blue Marge Simpson wigs, performed as classic clips from the show's past 25 seasons played on big screens above them. The 26th season of "The Simpsons" begins Sept. 28.

"Oh yeah, 'The Simpsons' will go on, long after the human race is gone," sang "Weird Al" Yankovic, who performed "a little ditty about Homer and Marge" to the tune of John Mellencamp's "Jack and Diane."

Other guests appearing during the two-hour program included show creator Matt Groening, former "Simpsons" writer Conan O'Brien, comedian Jon Lovitz, pro skateboarder Tony Hawk and Oscar-winning composer Hans Zimmer.



GREG GRUDT, THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL/AP

**The orchestra, led by conductor Thomas Wilkins in a Homer Simpson costume, performs Sept. 12 at 'The Simpsons Take the Bowl' in Los Angeles.**

The entire Hollywood Bowl was Simpson-ified for the program, which continued on Saturday and Sunday night. Plastic doughnuts dangled above concertgoers' heads and life-sized cardboard cutouts of show characters were scattered throughout the venue.

New "Simpsons" animations were created just for the concert, including a peek at the Simpson family arriving at the Hollywood Bowl and Homer trying to resist pushing the "fireworks" button. Another bit showed Maggie launching the fireworks, and with that, pyrotechnics exploded above the famous Bowl shell.

From The Associated Press

## 'No Good Deed' knocks off 'Guardians'

The Associated Press

A murderous Idris Elba and a pair of dolphin buddies defeated "Guardians of the Galaxy" at movie theaters over the weekend.

The thriller "No Good Deed," which stars Elba as an escaped convict and Taraji P. Henson as the innocent he terrorizes, opened on top of the box office with \$24.5 million, according to studio estimates Sunday.

The film nearly doubled its reported budget in its first week of release, said Paul Dergarabedian, senior media analyst for box-office tracker Rentrak.

"It's the first brand-new post summer release to really catch on," he said.

"Dolphin Tale 2" debuted in second place with \$16.5 million. The family-friendly stars Morgan Freeman and Ashley Judd reprising their roles from the 2011 original.

"Guardians" slipped to third place with \$8 million. The Marvel space adventure, which held the No. 1 spot for four weeks, is the top-grossing film of the year domestically, collecting more than \$300 million in North America and \$600 million worldwide.

"Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles" finished fourth with \$4.8 million, followed by the comedy "Let's Be Cops," which collected \$4.3 million.

The crime drama "The Drop," which stars Tom Hardy and the late James Gandolfini, opened in sixth place with \$4.2 million — an impressive showing given it only played in 809 theaters.

### Police detain 'Django' actress in LA

Actress Daniele Watts, who appeared in "Django Unchained," is complaining that she was handcuffed and briefly put in the back of a squad car after a public display of affection with her white companion.

Brian Lucas told KCBS-TV in a joint interview with Watts that he suspects police mistook the black actress for a prostitute "because he was asking me questions like, 'Who is she? How do you know her? Are you together?'"

The Los Angeles Police Department said Sunday that officers detained the pair after a complaint that two people were "involved in indecent exposure" in a silver Mercedes. Watts was detained until police determined no crime was committed.

Watts told the station that she and Lucas were embracing in the car Sept. 11 when police showed up. The station said the two have been dating for the past year.

Police said an internal investigation has been launched.

### Other news

■ Chinese film director Wang Quan'an, a Berlin International Film Festival winner known for the movies "Tu ya's Marriage" and "White Deer Plain," has been detained on the charge of hiring prostitutes, Beijing police said Monday. Wang is the latest person caught up in a broad anti-vice campaign in which Chinese authorities appear to be making examples out of celebrities accused of engaging in prostitution or using drugs.

■ Pianist and composer Joe Sample, a founding member of the genre-crossing Jazz Crusaders who helped pioneer the electronic jazz-funk fusion style, died Sept. 12 of complications due to lung cancer. He was 75.

■ Japanese film idol Yoshiko Yamaguchi, who was known as Rikoran and symbolized Japan's wartime dreams of Asian conquest, died Sept. 7 of heart failure at age 94. Yamaguchi was known as Shirley Yamaguchi in the U.S., and was one of the biggest Japanese film stars during and after World War II.

■ Pulitzer Prize-winning editorial cartoonist Tony Auth, whose sharp and creative commentary appeared in The Philadelphia Inquirer for more than 40 years, died of cancer on Sunday. He was 72.

## BUSINESS/WEATHER

## Wealth gap puts squeeze on states

By Josh Boak

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Income inequality is taking a toll on state governments.

The widening gap between the wealthiest Americans and everyone else has been matched by a slowdown in state tax revenue, according to a report released Monday by Standard & Poor's.

Even as income for the affluent has accelerated, it's barely kept pace with inflation for most other people. That trend can mean a double whammy for states: The wealthy often manage to shield much of their income from taxes, and they tend to spend less of it than others do, thereby limiting sales tax revenue.

As the growth of tax revenue has slowed, states have faced tensions over whether to raise taxes or cut spending to balance their budgets as required by law.

"Rising income inequality is not just a social issue," said Gabriel

\$1.26M

The median household income of the top 1 percent of Americans in 2012, up from \$466,302 in 1979, according to IRS data. By contrast, median household income nationwide rose by only a few thousand dollars since 1979, to \$51,017 in 2012.

Petek, the S&P credit analyst who wrote the report. "It presents a very significant set of challenges for the policymakers." Stagnant pay for most people has compounded the pressure on states to preserve funding for education, highways and social programs such as Medicaid. Their investments in education and infrastructure have also fueled economic growth, yet they're at risk without a strong flow of tax revenue.

The prospect of having to raise taxes to balance a state budget is

a politically delicate one. The allure of low taxes has been used by states to spur job creation by attracting factories, businesses and corporate headquarters.

"If you've got political pressure to spend more money and pressure against raising taxes, then you're in a pickle," said David Brunori, a public policy professor at George Washington University.

Income inequality isn't the only factor slowing state tax revenue. Online retailers account for a rising chunk of consumer spending, yet they often manage to avoid sales taxes. Consumers are spending more on unmet services, too.

S&P's analysis builds on a previous report this year in which it said the widening gap between the wealthiest Americans and everyone else has slowed the U.S. economy's recovery from the Great Recession. Because consumer spending fuels about 70 percent of the economy, weak pay growth typically slows economic growth.

Some states are scrambling for

new revenue sources. Pennsylvania has raised fees for vanity license plates and other auto expenses. Colorado and Washington legalized recreational marijuana, in part on the promise that the proceeds would be taxed.

Adjusted for inflation, government data show that median household income rose by a few thousand dollars since 1979 to \$51,017 in 2012 and remains below its level before the recession began in late 2007. By contrast, the top 1 percent has thrived. Their incomes averaged \$1.26 million in 2012, up from \$466,302 in 1979, according to IRS data.

The combination of an increasingly global economy, greater productivity from technology and outside investment returns has shifted a rising share of money to the wealthy. Of all the dollars earned in 2012, more than 22 percent went to the top 1 percent. That share has more than doubled since 1979.

## EXCHANGE RATES

Military rates	
Euro costs (Sept. 16)	\$1,3249
Dollar buys (Sept. 16)	€0.7548
British pound (Sept. 16)	\$1.6660
Japanese yen (Sept. 16)	104.00
South Korean won (Sept. 16)	1,012.00

Commercial rates	
Bahrain (Dinar)	0.3771
British pound	\$1.6322
Canada (dollar)	1.1091
China (Yuan)	6.1424
Denmark (Krone)	6.7560
Egypt (Pound)	7.1525
Euro	\$1.2931/7733
Hong Kong (dollar)	7.7510
Hungary (Forint)	243.44
Israel (Shekel)	3.6309
Japan (Yen)	107.30
Kuwait (Dinar)	0.2866
Norway (Krone)	5.3792
Philippines (Peso)	44.28
Poland (Zloty)	32.05
Saudi Arabia (Riyal)	3.7508
Singapore (Dollar)	1.2644
South Korea (Won)	1,039.10
Switzerland (Franc)	0.9359
Taiwan (Dollar)	32.31
Turkey (Lira)	2.218

(Military exchange rates are those available to customers at military banking facilities in the country of issuance for Japan, South Korea, Germany, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom. For nonlocal currency exchange rates (i.e., Saudi Arabia (Riyal), Singapore (Dollar), South Korea (Won), Switzerland (Franc), Taiwan (Dollar), Turkey (Lira)), which is represented in dollars-to-pound, and the euro, which is dollars-to-euro.)

## INTEREST RATES

Prime rate	3.25
Discount rate	3.25
Federal funds market rate	0.09
3-month bill	0.01
30-year bond	3.35

## WEATHER OUTLOOK

## TUESDAY IN THE MIDDLE EAST



## TUESDAY IN EUROPE



## WEDNESDAY IN THE PACIFIC



The weather is provided by the American Forces Network Weather Center, 602 Air Force Squadron at Offutt Air Force Base, Neb.

## Tuesday's US temperatures

City	Hi	Lo	Wthr	City	Hi	Lo	Wthr	City	Hi	Lo	Wthr	City	Hi	Lo	Wthr
Ablene, Texas	84	69	City	Chatanooga	86	65	PCldy	Fort Wayne	65	46	PCldy	Louisville	74	59	PCldy
Akron, Ohio	64	51	City	Chicago	66	46	City	Fresno	100	67	City	Lubbock	79	63	City
Albany, N.Y.	66	51	City	Cincinnati	67	57	PCldy	Goodland	81	49	City	Macon	87	71	Rain
Albuquerque	63	50	PCldy	Cleveland	64	52	City	Grand Rapids	65	45	PCldy	Medford	89	58	City
Allentown, Pa.	72	53	City	Colorado Springs	87	47	City	Great Falls	81	63	City	Mempphis	81	69	City
Amarillo	79	61	City	Columbia, S.C.	87	69	City	Greensboro, N.C.	83	46	City	Midland-Odessa	80	66	City
Anchorage	72	53	Rain	Columbus, Ga.	86	72	City	Hartford	68	52	City	Milwaukee	64	45	City
Asheville	80	61	City	Concord, N.H.	67	48	City	Hellena	84	47	PCldy	Missoula	85	38	PCldy
Atlanta	84	70	City	Corpus Christi	89	76	City	Honolulu	90	72	City	Mobile	86	64	City
Atlantic City	75	59	City	Dallas-Ft. Worth	91	72	City	Houston	90	75	Rain	Montgomery	86	71	Rain
Austin	74	56	City	Dayton	65	53	City	Huntsville	86	64	City	Nashville	80	61	City
Baltimore	77	61	PCldy	Denver	81	50	PCldy	Indianapolis	66	49	City	New Orleans	89	76	Rain
Baton Rouge	90	74	City	Des Moines	68	43	City	Jacksonville	89	73	Rain	New York City	73	60	City
Bilings	82	59	City	Detroit	66	49	PCldy	Jacksonville	89	73	Rain	Newark	76	60	City
Birmingham	78	60	City	El Paso	81	66	City	Kansas City	68	45	City	Norfolk, Va.	79	67	City
Bismarck	82	61	City	El Paso	81	66	City	Key West	89	81	PCldy	North Platte	75	46	City
Boise	82	61	City	El Paso	81	66	City	Knoxville	83	64	PCldy	Omaha	68	45	City
Boston	67	57	City	El Paso	81	66	City	Lake Charles	87	74	Rain	Orlando	92	73	City
Bridgeport	90	76	Rain	El Paso	81	66	City	Lansing	71	57	PCldy	Paduach	89	74	PCldy
Brownsville	86	63	City	El Paso	81	66	City	Las Vegas	102	80	PCldy	Pendleton	85	57	PCldy
Buffalo	63	52	City	El Paso	81	66	City	Lincoln	71	43	City	Peara	77	59	PCldy
Burlington, Vt.	66	47	City	El Paso	81	66	City	Little Rock	81	66	City	Philadelphia	75	61	City
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Charleston, S.C.	88	72	City	El Paso	81	66	City					Pittsburgh	66	53	City
Charleston, W.Va.	71	56	City	El Paso	81	66	City								
Charlotte, N.C.	83	67	City	El Paso	81	66	City								

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NFL running back Ray Rice holds hands with his wife, Janay, as they arrive at Atlantic County Criminal Courthouse in Mays Landing, N.J., on May 1.

# He held a gun to my head. I loved him

By LESLIE MORGAN STEINER

Just before I fell in love with a man who abused me, I spouted off to my New York City roommate that I'd never be stupid enough to stay with a man who hit me. Like most people who are naive about the complexities of relationship violence — victims and bystanders alike — my dismissal of the dangers of abusive love cost me dearly.

When I see footage of Ray Rice knocking his then-fiancee, Janay Palmer, unconscious in an Atlantic City, N.J., elevator — and her subsequent defense of Rice after he was cut from the Baltimore Ravens and suspended indefinitely from the National Football League this past week — I recognize how hard it can be to leave a violent relationship.

Here are the times I wish I'd left my abusive husband, an Ivy League graduate and Wall Street trader I met in New York when I was 22 and a recent Harvard graduate:

Three months into our relationship, the night he choked me during sex and I wrote it off as weird but somehow erotic (for him, not for me).

The day we moved in together and he wouldn't talk to me because a male friend from college called to congratulate me on the milestone.

The Saturday he said I looked better without any makeup and told me not to wear it anymore.

The night I was getting dressed to go out to dinner and he told me I was a slut because my skirt was too short.

The morning five days before our wedding when he first physically attacked me, because, he said with his hands around my neck, "you remind me of my mother."

During our honeymoon, when he punched me so hard my head hit the window in our car.

The night he pulled the keys out of the car ignition while I was driving 55 mph on the highway.

The day he said I couldn't spend Christmas with my family.

The first time he threatened to kill our dog.

The first time he pushed me down a flight of stairs.

The first time he threatened to pull the trigger of the loaded gun he held at my head.

Here are the reasons I didn't leave my abusive husband:

**Instead of condemning Janay Rice for loving a troubled man, let's educate ourselves about the twisted psychology of abusive love, so that we can be there for her if she decides to leave.**

No one in my life had ever made me feel so safe, loved, beautiful and validated as he did during the early months of our relationship.

I confused pity with love, feeling sorry for him because he had been beaten and starved by his stepfather as a child.

I thought I was the only woman who could help him face his demons.

In between the terrible times, he still made me laugh.

I loved him.

No one but Janay and Ray Rice knows whether their relationship has been violent beyond that elevator ride, but I do know that isolated incidents of relationship violence are rare. They're typically part of a pattern — a pattern that's the same no matter the education, ethnicity, income level, race or gender of the victim or abuser. In my experience, this is how it goes: Fairytale romance. Isolation from friends, family, neighbors and co-workers. Threat of violence. Actual violence. Convincing apology. Repeat.

One in 4 women and 1 in 7 men have been victims of severe relationship violence.

The riskiest time in a woman's life for relationship violence is between age 18 and age 34.

Up to half of women who visit emergency rooms have been abused at some point in their lives.

It takes the average domestic violence victim seven attempts, often over a period of years, before she — or he, because men can be victims, too — ends the abusive relationship for good.

Once the victim does leave, she is in the greatest danger, because most domestic violence homicides happen after the victim has ended the relationship.

Here is what helped me end my mar-

riage after four years of brutal attacks:

I did not have children with him.

I had two friends who guessed my secret, who didn't judge me for it or try to force me to leave before I was ready.

Two police officers matter-of-factly informed me that, if I stayed with my husband, they would find me dead on my living room floor one day.

A domestic violence advocate went to family court to tell the judge why I needed a protection order; I was afraid the judge would believe my husband instead of me.

My mother gave me \$10,000 because she knew that money would solve at least a few of my problems. And she gave it to me without saying "I told you so."

I hired a divorce lawyer who persuaded me to give my ex-husband a lump-sum payment of \$3,000 as part of our divorce settlement, so that the man I once thought was my soulmate could feel he had truly beaten me for good. It was the best money I ever spent because I haven't heard from him in 20 years.

When it came to a choice between him or me, I chose me.

One day, Janay Rice may have her own lists of the times she wishes she'd left; the reasons she stayed; and the friends, relatives and strangers who understood the complex psychology of relationship violence.

Every survivor makes these lists.

She may also wonder why people asked, so often and publicly, "Why does she stay with a man who beats her?" And why so few asked why Ray Rice would hit the woman who loves him.

I wish the world could give Janay Rice, and other victims of relationship violence, the dignity they deserve.

Instead of condemning her for loving a troubled man, let's educate ourselves about the twisted psychology of abusive love, so that we can be there for her if she decides to leave. Firing Roger Goodell and blaming the NFL won't do Janay Rice, or any other domestic violence victims, any good. Rather, we should hold abusers — and no one else — responsible for the damage they inflict.

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## OPINION

## Threat posed by Islamic State is overstated

By RAMZY MARDINI

The United States has a tradition of misinterpreting the Middle East. President George W. Bush invaded Iraq in 2003 with misplaced certainty, misconstrued assumptions and poor foresight. After the Arab revolts began in 2011, Washington misdiagnosed the problems and opportunities, and overestimated its influence to steer outcomes in its favor. Now, as the United States prepares to escalate military action against the Islamic State, misinterpretation is leading to another tragic foreign policy mistake.

In his prime-time address Wednesday, President Barack Obama said that U.S. airstrikes targeting militants in Iraq over the past month "have protected American personnel and facilities, killed [Islamic State] fighters, destroyed weapons and given space for Iraqi and Kurdish forces to reclaim key territory. These strikes have also helped save the lives of thousands of innocent men, women and children."

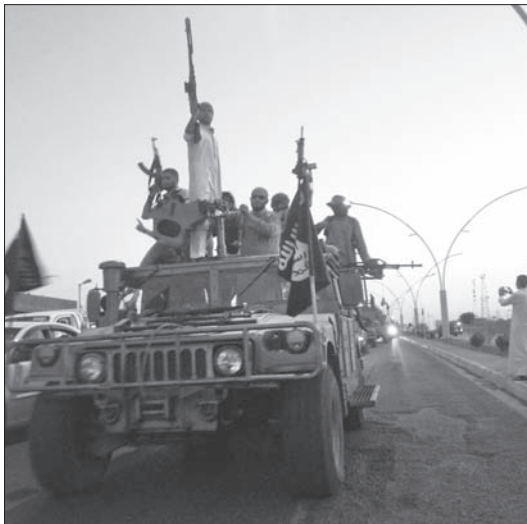
A more accurate assessment would be that U.S. military intervention has tremendous propaganda value for the Islamic State, helping it to rally other jihadists to its cause, possibly even Salafists who have so far rejected its legitimacy. Moreover, to the extent that the group poses any threat to the United States, that threat is magnified by a visible U.S. military role. Obama's restraint in the use of military power in recent years has helped keep the Islamic State's focus regional — on its efforts to establish an Islamic caliphate in the Middle East rather than on launching attacks against the United States. It's only with the U.S. military's return to Iraq and the prospect of U.S. intervention in Syria that the group's focus has begun to shift.

The barbaric beheadings of American journalists James Foley and Steven Sotloff were intended as retaliation for U.S. airstrikes in Iraq. Instead, Washington has interpreted those events — along with the fall of Iraq's second-largest city, Mosul, to Islamic State militants in June, and the siege of Yazidis in northern Iraq last month — as evidence that the group poses a threat of terrifying proportions to U.S. interests.

It has become the consensus view in Washington that the militants are poised to bulldoze through America's Middle East allies, destabilize global oil supplies and attack the U.S. homeland. The Islamic State represents "a clear and present danger" to the United States, wrote Gen. John Allen, a former commander of U.S. forces in Afghanistan, and that affects "the region and potentially the world as we know it." Gen. Martin Dempsey, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, described the group as having "an apocalyptic, end-of-days strategic vision." Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel characterized it as "an imminent threat in every interest we have, whether it's in Iraq or anywhere else." According to a new Washington Post-ABC News poll, 95 percent of Americans believe the Islamic State is as serious a threat to vital U.S. interests.

But Americans are misreading the recent Islamic State successes, which speak less to the group's invincibility and inevitability than they do to external factors beyond its control. Despite its territorial gains and mastery of propaganda, the Islamic State's fundamentals are weak, and it does not have a sustainable endgame. In short, we're giving it too much credit.

Consider the fall of Mosul, which catapulted the impression that the group is a formidable force able to engage on multiple fronts simultaneously and overpower a U.S.-trained army that dwarfs its size. In reality, it was able to gain such vast territory because it faced an impotent opponent and had the help of the broader Sunni in-



**Islamic State fighters parade in a commandeered Iraqi security forces armored vehicle at the northern city of Mosul, Iraq, on June 23. The Islamic State's greatest achievement — the capture of Mosul — may also be its greatest liability.**

surgency. The Iraqi army, lacking professionalism and insufficiently motivated to fight and die for Sunni-dominated Mosul, self-destructed and deserted. The militants can be credited with fearlessness and offensive mobility, but they can hardly be said to have defeated the Iraqi army in combat. At the time, Islamic State militants represented less than 10 percent of the overall Sunni insurgency. Many other Sunni groups helped to hold territory and fight off Iraq's Shiite government and Iranian-backed militia forces.

The Islamic State's capture of Sinjar in the northern province of Nineveh further added to perceptions of its dominance and helped precipitate Washington's decision to carry out airstrikes in Iraq. But that episode was also misinterpreted. Kurdish forces were not only taken by surprise, but since they had only recently filled the vacuum in Sinjar left by Iraq's fleeing army, they were stretched too thin and poorly equipped to sustain a battle outside their home territory. Lacking ammunition and other supplies, they conceded the territorial outpost and retreated within their borders in Iraqi Kurdistan.

That hardly means the Islamic State is in a position to topple the next city in its sights. Rather, the borders of its territory have, more or less, reached their outer potential. It's no coincidence that the militants' gains have been limited to areas populated by disenfranchised Sunnis eager for protection from Shiite forces. It would require far greater power to hold territory populated by a sect that didn't support their presence.

The group's rapid growth has occurred in its most compatible regions as a species proliferates within its natural habitat. It is thriving in the midst of sectarian cleavages, established insurgencies and weak or nonexistent state institutions. Hence, its support in Iraq and Syria is not the rule, it is the exception. The combination of these conditions does not exist in much of the greater Middle East.

Despite being in its infancy as a declared caliphate, the Islamic State's extreme ideology, spirit of subjugation and acts of barbarism prevent it from becoming a political venue for the masses. It has foolishly managed to instill fear in everyone, thus limiting its opportunities for alliances and making itself vulnerable to popular backlash. For example, between late last year and early this year, its militants lost territory in the Syrian provinces of Aleppo and Idlib because of grass-roots resistance and insurgent competition.

The key for a group like the Islamic State to survive and flourish is a deep connection with local populations. The Islamic State's core fighters are certainly devoted and willing to die for the cause, but its potential support across the region ranges from limited to nonexistent. That is one of the differences between superficial weeds such as the Islamic State and deeply rooted forests such as Lebanese Hezbollah.

The irony is that the Islamic State's greatest achievement — the capture of Mosul — may also be its greatest liability. Indeed, the sudden collapse of the Iraqi army catapulted the group far beyond its

capacity to absorb and sustain its gains. Its meteoric rise in Iraq helped it consolidate the insurgent landscape in Syria but also made the group too visible a threat for regional powers. And while the seizure of U.S.-made weapons and modern equipment has increased the group's capabilities and prestige, it has also made it more vulnerable to conventional adversaries.

For some time, regional power politics made Middle Eastern states reluctant to confront the Islamic State directly. Turkey appreciated that the influx of jihadists into Syria helped counterbalance Kurdish guerrilla forces there while undermining the Syrian regime's quest to reconquer lost territory. Syria and Iran recognized that the militants diminished the threat to (President) Bashar Assad by radicalizing the opposition and making the West more hesitant to support it. Saudi Arabia and the Sunni Arab gulf states understood that the Islamic State served to counter Iran's Shiite proxies in the region. And even for Israel, there was little incentive to combat a group that served to perpetuate the Sunni-Shiite divide.

After the capture of Mosul, the calculus began to change. All the regional powers are now in consensus that the Islamic State must be contained. The group is completely isolated, encircled by enemies.

Its advance southward toward Baghdad compelled Iran and Syria to throw their military support behind Iraq's government; it also led to the mass recruitment and remobilization of Shiite militias as a sectarian counterweight. Meanwhile, the group's march northward toward Irbil led to a pan-Kurdish response, mobilizing Kurdish guerrilla fighters from Turkey, Syria and Iraq to support the defense of Iraqi Kurds and Yazidis.

On the Islamic State's western frontier, Jordan's border is impenetrable to militant invasion. And even should the group find a way to conduct a terrorist attack inside the Hashemite Kingdom, the population (and the region's Sunni Arab states) would rally to support the Jordanian monarchy, while its highly capable intelligence directorate and armed forces would go on the offensive against the perpetrators. The fear that the militants somehow threaten the stability of Israel's eastern front is far removed from reality.

After Mosul, the Islamic State has also become more prone to resistance from within. As its acquisition of new territory has slowed, much of the group's focus has shifted toward consolidating power inside territory already acquired. Hence, before the United States intervened with airstrikes last month, the insurgency in Iraq had already begun fragmenting over power, prestige and resources.

That doesn't suggest that the Islamic State poses no problem, nor that the United States should ignore it. However, any strategy that involves U.S. airstrikes to contain the group is like searching for a beehive to swat, then assuming that the threat of being stung is somehow mitigated.

While some military action is necessary to defeat the Islamic State, that effort should be driven by regional actors, not a Western power. The United States is far better positioned to assume an active diplomatic role, facilitating consensus and cooperation among local and regional players. If the common threat could compel these actors toward local collaboration, national compromise and regional rapprochement, there may emerge an opportunity to bring them together to finally settle the civil wars plaguing the Middle East.

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# NASCAR



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Brad Keselowski celebrates in Victory Lane after winning the NASCAR Sprint Cup series race at Chicagoland Speedway in Joliet, Ill. on Sunday.

## Keselowski leads Chase

### Top seed secures spot in 2nd round with win in opener

BY JENNA FRYER  
The Associated Press

JOLIET, Ill. — Stop Brad Keselowski if you've heard this one before.

"I guess you couldn't ask for a better way to start the Chase," he said after winning NASCAR's playoff first opener. "Today was about as much of a statement as you can make."

That's because his win at Chicagoland Speedway not only guarantees Keselowski, the top seed in the 16-driver field, a spot in the second round; it also traces the route he took to win the Chase for the Sprint Cup championship in 2012. Now a series-leading five-time winner this season, he can race for fun the next two weeks as he awaits the Chase reset following the Sept. 28 race at Dover — when the field will be cut to 12 drivers.

And all because Keselowski went for broke on Sunday.

He had to pick his way through the field twice, and earned the win after watching a spirited, side-by-side battle for the lead unfold between Kevin Harvick and rookie Kyle Larson. As everyone else held their breath watching the Harvick-Larson duel, Keselowski saw his opening and pounced.

He used a daring three-wide drive through the middle to grab the lead for good.

"I just saw a hole and I went for it," he said. "I didn't know if my car would stick or not, but I knew I'd regret it if I didn't try it."

**And now for a really short celebration:** Immediately after earning what amounts to a bye, a TV reporter asked Keselowski what that would mean. Without hesitating, the driver replied, "I'll drink a lot more beer tonight."



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**Brad Keselowski — the top seed in the 16-driver Chase for the Sprint Cup Championship field, crosses the finish line as he wins the NASCAR Sprint Cup race at Chicagoland Speedway on Sunday.**

Not so fast. Crew chief Paul Wolfe didn't party hearty for too long. "We're not going to go on vacation for the next two weeks," he said. "We're going to continue to try to make our racecars better and be prepared really well for round two."

**Better skip the parties altogether:** Based on Sunday's results, this quartet of drivers could be in trouble: Ryan Newman (who finished 15th), AJ Allmendinger (22nd), Greg Biffle (23rd) and Aric Almirola (41st after blowing an engine).

All four have two races to get back on pace, starting with next week's shutdown at New Hampshire. After that, the field is trimmed to a dozen.

**Missed a spot:** Miscommunication between Danica Patrick and her spotter led to an awkward on-track run-in with her boyfriend.

Patrick and Ricky Stenhouse Jr. made contact late in the race that caused Patrick to hit the wall and bring out the final caution. She said after the race that she heard

her spotter give her the on-track status of teammate Tony Stewart, and she was unaware Stenhouse was also close.

"My spotter took the blame on that one," she said. "I just didn't know Ricky was up there and I obviously don't want to hit his car or anyone else with 10 laps to go. I talked with Ricky afterward and we're fine."

Stenhouse finished 17th and Patrick was 19th.

**Once dressed like his heroes, now racing 'em:** Larson almost stole the show before getting passed late

by Keselowski and then losing a duel for second with Jeff Gordon. The 22-year-old used to dress up like Gordon when his family attended the

NASCAR

race at Sonoma. Larson and Gordon wound up sharing a podium after the race and it quickly became a mutual-admiration society.

"It's just really, really cool. Guys you look up to since, heck, Jeff has been racing the Cup Series as long as I've been alive."

"Easy," laughed Gordon, who is 43. "Like I needed to hear that."



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NFL

# Cutler rallies Bears in 4th to stun 49ers

By JANIE MCCAULEY  
The Associated Press

SANTA CLARA, Calif. — Brandon Marshall walked up to Jay Cutler and planted a congratulatory kiss on his quarterback's head.

No doubt the admiration and appreciation — relief, too — went both ways. Down big, Cutler kept his poise on the road. Marshall relied on adrenaline to carry him on a bum ankle, cleared to play just 90 minutes before kickoff.

Cutler found Marshall for two of his three fourth-quarter touch-down passes after much of Chicago's starting defense went down, and the Bears beat the San Francisco 49ers 28-20 Sunday night to spoil their Levi's Stadium debut.

"The defense did a great job giving us short fields, causing turnovers and keeping it close enough

so that we could get back in it," Cutler said.

Cutler and Marshall clicked as Chicago erased a late 13-point deficit and quieted the sellout crowd. Cutler threw for two scores in a 27-second span early in the final period, aided by the gutsy play of a backup cornerback.

Kyle Fuller made two late interceptions for the depleted Chicago secondary, and the first set up the go-ahead score.

"We all still had confidence, we knew we were going to pull it out," said Fuller, the Bears' first-round pick in this year's draft.

Kaepernick was hit with an unsportsmanlike conduct penalty for "inappropriate language" following Fuller's first big play. That gave the Bears first-and-goal on the 3, and Cutler threw a 3-yard TD pass to Martellus Bennett for

a 21-20 lead.

Kaepernick threw three interceptions in all, lost a fumble and his cool, a far cry from his breakout start on the Monday night stage nearly two years ago in a rout of the Bears. Cutler sat out that night with a concussion.

"We hurt ourselves," Kaepernick said, insisting he didn't say anything wrong.

A sloppy game filled with 26 penalties — 16 by the Niners — and a crazy collapse overshadowed the fanfare of the regular-season debut for the sparkling \$1.2 billion stadium.

Cutler finished 23 of 34 for 176 yards and four TDs for the Bears (1-1).

"Jay has had an excellent start to the season minus one play," coach Marc Trestman said. "He led the way this whole week."



TONY AVELAR/AP

**Chicago Bears quarterback Jay Cutler (6) threw three touchdown passes in the fourth quarter to beat San Francisco 30-21 on Sunday in the 49ers' first game at Levi's Stadium in Santa Clara, Calif.**

## Browns top Saints on late field goal

By TMO WITHERS  
The Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Mike Pettine received a Gatorade bath and looked forward to smoking a cigar. Brian Hoyer wanted to hold onto the feeling as long as possible.

Seemingly cursed for so long, the Browns finally have something in September to celebrate.

For the first time in 10 years, they're 1-0 at home.

Hoyer, annoyed that he had to come off the field for rookie backup Johnny Manziel, directed an 85-yard drive to set up Billy Cundiff's 29-yard field goal with three seconds left, giving Cleveland a 26-24 win over the New Orleans Saints on Sunday.

Cundiff's kick helped the Browns (1-1) snap a nine-game losing streak in home NFL games, gave Pettine his first NFL coaching win and Cleveland its first in a

home opener since 2004.

"I graduated high school that year," Hoyer said. "It's a long time coming, and our fans deserve it."

Manziel made a perfunctory NFL debut with a handful of plays, but had no major impact. The Browns didn't need any magic from Johnny Football.

Hoyer delivered.

He was marvelous in the clutch, moving the Browns from their own 4 to the Saints' 11, and Cundiff took it from there. Hoyer completed several passes on the final drive, including one on fourth down to tight end Gary Barnidge and a 28-yarder to Andrew Hawkins with 13 seconds left.

"The play of the game was Gary catching the ball across the middle on the last drive," Hoyer said. "If he doesn't do that, it's over."

New Orleans quarterback Drew Brees threw two touchdown passes to tight end Jimmy Graham and



DAVID RICHARD/AP

**Cleveland Browns quarterback Brian Hoyer celebrates after a 26-24 win over the New Orleans Saints on Sunday in Cleveland.**

moved past Hall of Famer John Elway into fourth place on the NFL's career passing list.

Brees went 27 of 40 for 237 yards. Graham had 10 catches for 118 yards as the Saints (0-2) dropped their fifth straight regular-season road game.

"It's frustrating because we expect to win," Brees said. "You can point to one play in each of these games. We're one play away in each of these games from being 2-0 instead of 0-2. That hurts."

## Down 18, Packers roar back for win over Jets

By GENARO C. ARMAS  
The Associated Press

GREEN BAY, Wis. — In the middle of the chaotic and victorious Green Bay Packers locker room, Randall Cobb yelled out a new nickname for Jordy Nelson.

"Mr. 200!" Cobb exclaimed.

More like a career-high 209 yards receiving for Green Bay's top receiver, including one long touchdown catch in crunch time.

Aaron Rodgers threw for three scores, including an 80-yard strike to Nelson in the third quarter, and the Packers roared back from an 18-point deficit to win their home opener 31-24 on Sunday over the New York Jets.

"Well, pretty impressive. Take it for granted sometimes. He's not a big 'me' guy ... so he kind of gets overlooked sometimes," Rodgers said about Nelson. "We know the kind of player he is."

So do the Jets (1-1) after blowing a 21-3 lead early in the second

quarter.

Still, coach Rex Ryan's team had a chance to tie late. It looked as though that had happened with 5 minutes left on a 37-yard touchdown catch by Jeremy Kerley on fourth down — but it was negated because the Jets called a timeout from the sideline just before the snap.

Ryan said he didn't call time. He suspected it could have been offensive coordinator Marty Mornhinweg or quarterback Geno Smith. Defensive lineman Sheldon Richardson said he was to blame because he leaned over to tell the referee when he saw Mornhinweg calling for time.

Smith's last-ditch pass on fourth-and-8 with 3:31 left to a double-covered Kerley was tipped away. The 78,000-plus fans at Lambeau Field breathed a collective sigh of relief, and the Packers held the ball from there.

Green Bay (1-1) avoided its first 0-2 start since 2006.

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## NFL ROUNDUP



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DENVER —Terrance Knighton batted away Alex Smith's fourth-and-goal pass to Dwayne Bowe with 15 seconds left, preserving the Broncos' win.

The Broncos (2-0) thought they had sealed the win twice earlier on the drive.

Aqib Talib's pick-6 was negated by Quanterus Smith's hold. Then, Nate Irving's fumble recovery following DeMarcus Ware's sack and strip was ruled an incomplete pass after a review.

The Chiefs (0-2), without All-Pro running back Jamaal Charles much of the game, converted 11 of 16 third-down opportunities.



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ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. — C.J. Spiller scored on a 102-yard kick-off return, and rookie receiver Sammy Watkins had a 12-yard touchdown catch.

The Dolphins (1-1) also lost a key offseason addition when running back back Knowshon Moreno did not return after hurting his left elbow 11 minutes in.



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MINNEAPOLIS —Tom Brady and the Patriots took advantage of Adrian Peterson's absence and Matt Cassel's four interceptions.

Chandler Jones returned a field goal he blocked for a touchdown right before halftime.

Brady went 15-for-22 for 149 yards, one touchdown and no turnovers, and Cassel's first start against his former mentor was a dud. Devin McCourty, Darrelle Revis, Logan Ryan and Dominique Easley all picked him off.



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CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Cam Newton made a successful return to the field, throwing for 281 yards and a touchdown. Newton, who missed the season opener with a rib injury, was 22-for-34 and overcame five sacks. Carolina started 2-0 for the first time since 2008.

Trailling 7-6 in the third quarter, the Panthers took advantage of back-to-back Detroit turnovers and scored on three straight possessions.



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NASHVILLE, Tenn. —DeMarco Murray ran for 167 yards and a touchdown and Dan Bailey kicked four field goals. The loss spoiled Tennessee first-year coach Ken Whisenhunt's home debut.

Dallas (1-1) scored the first 16 points of the game in the first half. Even the beleaguered Dallas defense got into the act, coming up with two sacks and two interceptions.

Cowboys QB Tony Romo was 19-for-29 for 176 yards and a TD.



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CINCINNATI —Running back Giovani Bernard picked up the depleted offense by running for 90 yards and Cincinnati's defense held down Matt Ryan.

But Pro Bowl receiver A.J. Green aggravated an injured toe on his right foot, and didn't catch a pass for the first time in his four-year career. Tight end Alex Smith injured his left biceps, right guard Kevin Zeitler hurt his right calf, and linebacker Vontaze Burfitt left early with a pinched nerve.



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EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Playing in a regular-season game for the first time since 2010, Drew Stanton replaced the scratched Carson Palmer and led the Cardinals (2-0) on three long scoring drives. Ted Ginn Jr. ran 71 yards on a punt return for a go-ahead fourth-quarter touchdown.

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LANDOVER, Md. — Robert Griffin III dislocated his left ankle and DeSean Jackson sprained his left shoulder in the first quarter, then Kirk Cousins stepped in. He completed 22 of 33 passes for 250 yards and a pair of touchdowns. Griffin was carted to the locker room and could be out for two months. He will undergo X-rays to determine if the ankle is broken. Ryan Kerrigan had four of the Redskins' 10 sacks.



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## NFL

## Scoreboard

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**Browns 26, Saints 24**  
 New Orleans 0 10 7 7-24  
 Cleveland 10 6 7 3-26

**First Quarter**  
 Cle-Austin 3 pass from Hoyer (Cundiff kick), 5:59.

**Cle-FG Cundiff 32, 0-0.**  
**Second Quarter**  
 NO-FG S.Graham 27, 5:16.  
 Cle-Gipson 62 interception return (run failed), 3:25.  
 NO-Graham 9 pass from Brees (S.Graham kick), 0:3.

**Third Quarter**  
 NO-J.Graham 1 pass from Brees (S.Graham kick), 9:32.  
 Cle-West 3 run (Cundiff kick), 3:19.

**Fourth Quarter**  
 NO-Ingram 1 run (S.Graham kick), 12:12.  
 Cle-FG Cundiff 29, 0:3.

**A-57-40.**

	NO	Cle
First downs	26	23
Total Net Yards	397	324
Rushes-yards	27-174	30-122
Passing	223	202
Punt Returns	1-(2)	1-2
Kickoff Returns	3-63	2-37
Interceptions Ret.	0-0	1-62
Comp-Att-Int	27-40-1	24-41-0
Sacked-Yards Lost	2-14	1-2
Punts	5-41.2	5-41.6
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	5-39	4-30
Time of Possession	29:50	28:10

**INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**  
**Rushing—New Orleans.** Ingram 11-83, Krohn 8-21, Miles 2-31, Thomas 3-16, Johnson 2-10, Brees 1-3. **Cleveland.** West 19-68, Crowell 11-54.

**Passing—New Orleans.** Brees 27-40-1-237. **Cleveland.** Hoyer 24-40-0-204, Man-ning 1-0.

**Receiving—New Orleans.** J.Graham 10-118, Miles 3-37, Sills 1-6, Ingram 2-21, Cooks 3-17, Thomas 3-16, Watson 1-4, Hill 1-(minus 1). **Cleveland.** Hawkins 6-70, Austin 6-44, Battimore 4-41, Gabriel 3-13, West 2-22, Benjamin 1-6, Dray 1-5, Crowell 1-3.

**Bears 28, 49ers 20**  
 Chicago 0 7 0 21-28  
 San Francisco 10 7 3 0-20

**First Quarter**  
 SF-Crabtree 3 pass from Kaepernick (Dawson kick), 12:42.

**SF-FG Dawson 27, 2-48.**

**Second Quarter**  
 SF-Gore 8 run (Dawson kick), 2:22.  
 Chi-Marshall 17 pass from Cutler (Gould kick), 13:14.

**Third Quarter**  
 SF-FG Dawson 24, 5:56.

**Fourth Quarter**  
 Chi-Marshall 5 pass from Cutler (Gould kick), 13:35.

**Chi-Bennett 4** pass from Cutler (Gould kick), 13:14.

**Chi-Fradette 3** pass from Cutler (Gould kick), 6:55.

**A-70-799.**

	Chi	SF
First downs	19	19
Total Net Yards	361	361
Rushes-yards	17-46	27-129
Passing	170	232
Punt Returns	1-1	4-24
Kickoff Returns	1-21	3-57
Interceptions Ret.	3-39	0-0
Comp-Att-Int	23-34-0	21-34-3
Sacked-Yards Lost	4-16	4-16
Punts	6-39.7	1-54.0
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	2-1
Penalties-Yards	10-58	16-118
Time of Possession	26:09	33:51

**Rushing—Chicago.** Forte 5-25, Forte 12-21, San Francisco, Kaepernick 9-66, Gore 13-62, Hyde 4-0, Miller 1-0.

**Passing—Chicago.** Cutler 23-34-0-176. **San Francisco.** Kaepernick 21-34-3-248.

**Receiving—Chicago.** Bennett 7-37, Marshall 4-48, Forte 3-47, Jeffery 2-47, Holmes 2-20, Rosario 1-3. **San Francisco.** Crabtree 7-82, Carrier 3-41, Davis 3-39, Boldin 2-36, Johnson 2-36, Gore 2-12, McDonald 1-9, Hyde 1-5.

# Gates, Chargers upset Seahawks

## Tight end catches 3 TDs in victory over defending Super Bowl champs

By **BERNIE WILSON**  
*The Associated Press*

SAN DIEGO — Antonio Gates hears the talk every offseason, that he's lost a step and isn't effective anymore. He just shrugs it off.

It was vintage Gates on display Sunday, when the star tight end caught three touchdown passes from Philip Rivers to lead the San Diego Chargers to a 30-21 victory against the defending Super Bowl champion Seattle Seahawks.

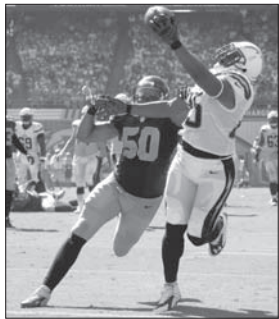
The 34-year-old Gates scored on catches of 8, 8 and 21 yards as the Chargers controlled the ball and kept Russell Wilson and Marshawn Lynch off the field.

Gates' 21-yarder was epic, as the star tight end split two defenders and extended for Rivers' pass, reaching out with his left hand to gather it in. Flat on his back in the end zone, he held up the ball to show the referee. That gave San Diego a 27-14 lead late in the third quarter.

"Philip trusts in me to make plays," Gates said. "I knew it was man coverage. The rest was history. I stuck out my hand and was able to make a one-handed grab. It just shows tremendous confidence in what the call was from the offensive coordinator on down to the quarterback."

Rivers has been throwing passes to Gates for nine seasons now.

It wasn't quite like sandlot ball, but with



GREGORY BULL/AP

**Chargers tight end Antonio Gates catches one his three touchdown passes over Seahawks linebacker K.J. Wright in the second half on Sunday in San Diego.**

these two guys, it might as well have been.

"He doesn't surprise me, but I will say all three touchdown catches, for the most part, didn't come up exactly like they were drawn up," Rivers said. "They're a little bit backyard."

# Stars: Injury bug bites teams hard early in the season

## FROM BACK PAGE

Minnesota's star running back was inactive for what became a 30-7 loss to New England on Sunday, two days after being indicted; he was charged with child abuse for striking his 4-year-old son with a tree branch.

Carolina defensive end Greg Hardy, meanwhile, was deactivated for Sunday's 24-7 victory over Detroit after playing in Week 1 despite being involved in July of assaulting a woman.

Panthers coach Ron Rivera explained the switch from one week to the next by saying the "climate has changed" in the NFL.

Then there's Ray McDonald, the 49ers' defensive lineman who has been active for both regular-season games since his Aug. 31

arrest on suspicion of domestic violence.

So among the key questions in the coming days: Will Peterson be allowed to play next Sunday against New Orleans? Will he ever play again for the Vikings?

What will happen to Hardy in Week 3, when Carolina hosts Pittsburgh? And will Ray Rice, whose case put the spotlight on domestic violence in the NFL, appeal the league's increase of his punishment from a two-game suspension to an indefinite ban?

## Who called timeout?

That's what Rex Ryan wanted to know after a sequence that will go down in Jets lore alongside the "butt fumble" and the fake spike.

Trailing by a touchdown with about five minutes left, Geno Smith appeared to throw a 37-yard TD pass Jeremy Kerley on fourth down — until it was negated by a timeout the Jets themselves had apparently asked for. Except Ryan hadn't. He could be seen telling the officials, "Who called timeout? I didn't call timeout."

## Officiating issues

It can be something of a bore to watch a game that's interrupted over and over and over by yellow flags, as happened Sunday night, when there were 26 combined accepted penalties in Chicago's 28-20 victory over San Francisco.

What's worse, though, is when calls are wrong — or missed altogether. One example from

We ended up close to the spots we were trying to do, but just a little bit different based on technique. They were obviously huge plays."

Here are some things that stood out Sunday as both teams evened their records at 1-1:

Gates got in lots of favorable matchups.

"The Legion of Boom is what I've been hearing about all week," Gates said. "Obviously, they believe in their skills to cover. It was a situation where fortunately I was matched up on linebackers at times, and I was able to come away with the win, and Philip was able to put the ball basically where no other players could get it."

Rivers has thrown 65 touchdown passes to Gates, the most in NFL history between a quarterback and a tight end.

Gates "definitely capitalized on every opportunity he had and he showed why he is an All-Pro tight end," Seattle safety Kam Chancellor said.

"I hadn't seen him from the early days, but I can tell you he is a good tight end," Chancellor added. "First thing is he had a good quarterback. A quarterback that knows him that knows him. They have that bond, that quarterback-tight end bond. And he is very crafty. He is a crafty tight end."

The three touchdown receptions tied Gates' career high. Rivers was 28-for-37 for 284 yards.

Seattle's only lead came when Percy Harvin ran 51 yards down the left sideline to put the Seahawks up 7-3 in the first quarter.

# Stars: Injury bug bites teams hard early in the season

Sunday, Seattle's Percy Harvin stepped out of bounds during a 51-yard TD run against San Diego, but the league acknowledged later the play was not reviewed — as all scores are supposed to be — and the touchdown should have been erased.

## Saints' D gets an F

The New Orleans Saints and their revamped secondary are 0-2. Doesn't matter how often Drew Brees and Jimmy Graham connect if their defense can't stop the likes of Brian Hoyer and the talent-rich Cleveland Browns of offense, as happened in Sunday's 26-24 loss for Sean Payton and Co.

At least the Saints get to face the Vikings next.

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**The Orioles' Steve Pearce and Yankees catcher Brian McCann watch Pearce's double in the ninth inning on Sunday. Quintin Berry scored to tie the game, and Baltimore went on to win.**

**Diamondbacks 8, Padres 6:** Zeke Spruill (1-1) allowed one hit in three shutout innings of long relief and Will Harris escaped a bases-loaded jam in the eighth, striking out Rymer Liriano and pinch-hitter Tommy Medica to lift host Arizona over San Diego.



## SPORTS



**Off to the races**  
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## NFL: WEEK 2 TAKEAWAYS



NICK WASS/AP

Redskins quarterback Robert Griffin III, center, leaves the game on a cart after injuring his left ankle during the first half of Sunday's game against the Jacksonville Jaguars.

# Injuries strike down stars

The Associated Press

Actual football games were supposed to provide some respite for the NFL from off-field headlines created by Ray Rice, Adrian Peterson and drug policies.

Instead, there was a rash of injuries to stars grabbing attention.

Robert Griffin III, Jamaal Charles, A.J. Green, Knowshon Moreno and DeSean Jackson were sidelined Sunday, with Griffin's injury appearing the most long-term.

RG3 dislocated his left ankle and receiver Jackson sprained his left shoulder in the first quarter. Luckily for Washington, Kirk Cousins came in and threw for 250 yards and two touchdowns in a 41-10 romp past Jacksonville.

Griffin was carted to the locker room

**'It's an excruciating pain. Anytime you look at your ankle and it's going in a strange direction, you don't want to get up.'**

Robert Griffin III

Washington Redskins quarterback, after dislocating his left ankle in the first quarter of Sunday's game against the Jacksonville Jaguars

with his leg in a splint and could be out for two months. The quarterback will undergo X-rays to determine if the ankle is broken.

"It's an excruciating pain," Griffin said. "Anytime you look at your ankle and it's going in a strange direction, you don't want to get up."

Kansas City All-Pro running back Charles left with a left ankle injury in Denver after being brought down in the first quarter. The Broncos won 24-17.

Green aggravated a right toe problem early in Cincinnati's 24-10 victory over Atlanta. The receiver was blanked for the first time in his three-plus pro seasons.

Moreno hurt his left elbow 11 minutes into Miami's 29-10 loss at Buffalo. The running back didn't return.

That's hardly the kind of weekend the league hoped for after all the negative news generated by the Rice and Peterson cases.

Here are other top topics after the NFL

season's second Sunday:

## Lingering questions

It is not the case that an NFL player is suspended or deactivated because of — or kept around despite — a pending criminal case each and every day. Just seems that way lately. And the futures of some players, most notably 2012 MVP Adrian Peterson, are going to be a big deal this week.

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